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MEETS DELEGATIONS: King Khalid meets Jordanian Minister of Endowments Sheikh Kamel al Sharif (second from left) and Ambassador to the Kingdom Tharwat Talhoumi. The King also received Gambian President Dawuda Jawara (at right).

King meets pilgrim delegations

JEDDAH, Oct. 26 (SPA) — King Khalid met here Thursday with Gambian President Dawuda Jawara, who is visiting Saudi Arabia to perform the Pilgrimage. The meeting was attended by Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah and special adviser Dr. Rashad Pharaon.

The King also met with a pilgrim delegation from Oman led by Sheikh Hamad Al-Harithi, the country's director of religious affairs. Other delegations of pilgrims meeting with the King included one from Jordan led by Minister of Endowments Sheikh Kamel Al-Sharif, one from Bangladesh

led by Minister of Railways and Roads Sheikh Abdul Halim, one from Niger led by Ambassador Haji Omar Ahmad, and one from Senegal by the ambassador. He also received Sudanese Vice President and Foreign Minister Rashid Al-Tajer and Sudanese Ambassador to Saudi Arabia Al-Fateh Muhammad Bishara.

U.S. charges

South Africa tests nuclear bomb

PRETORIA, Oct. 26 (Agencies) — U.S. charges that South Africa may have become the world's seventh nuclear power with the atmospheric test of an atomic bomb brought angry denials from Pretoria Friday.

Thursday night, the U.S. State Department said it had intelligence reports of a possible low-yield nuclear blast on Sept. 22 near South Africa.

The officials said the indications, picked up by a U.S. reconnaissance satellite, were not conclusive enough to make a firm judgment on the matter and that it was possible the satellite detected a natural phenomenon.

However, the officials, who asked not to be named, said the weight of opinion is that it was an explosion in the atmosphere.

The State Department said in a statement that it was continuing to assess evidence that a "low-yield nuclear explosion occurred on Sept. 22 in an area of the Indian Ocean and South Atlantic, including portions of the Antarctic continent and the southern part of Africa."

Officials said the U.S. is checking other sources of information, including various detection devices, and has contacted U.S. allies in Western Europe to see what their intelligence may have learned.

Last year, the intelligence sources said, both the U.S. and the Soviet Union independently detected — through satellite photography — signs that South Africa may have built a nuclear test structure in the Kalahari desert.

The sources said a nuclear explosion would most likely have involved a test device and not a finished weapon.

However, even an experimental nuclear test would be a significant and ominous development because it would mean that South Africa has moved toward nuclear weaponry.

This could inflame tensions in Africa, where South Africa finds itself under political

Khashoggi ordered to pay \$ 424,000

LONDON, Oct. 26 (AP) — Adnan Khashoggi will have to give a 200,000-pound (\$ 424,000) bond to his ex-wife Soraya if he wants to get his private DC-9 jet out of London's Heathrow Airport, a London court ordered Thursday.

Khashoggi is involved in a divorce wrangle with his British-born former wife, whom he divorced in 1974.

His private jet was impounded at Heathrow Airport last weekend after Soraya's lawyers applied for a "writ of attachment" in the London High Court. The legal battle includes Mrs. Khashoggi's claim that her ex-husband owes her 105,000 pounds (\$ 222,600) in rent and repair money for her house in Eaton Square, London.

She is also suing him in California for half of his estimated \$ 4-billion fortune.

Khashoggi's legal representatives obtained a court ruling to lift the DC-9 injunction, against which Soraya appealed. A three-judge panel was expected to hear the appeal Thursday, adjourning the final hearing until a later date.

Adha feast Wednesday

JEDDAH, Oct. 26 — Saudi Arabia will observe the Al-Adha feast Wednesday, the Royal Court announced Friday.

Pilgrims will ascend Mount Arafat Tuesday, the announcement said, marking the climax of this year's Pilgrimage to Mecca.

The Pilgrimage is one of the five pillars of Islam and is a duty which every Muslim should undertake at least once in a lifetime, provided he is physically able and can afford it.

The Eid Al-Adha, or feast of sacrifice, marks the successful performance of

In Beirut

the Pilgrimage, and includes the slaughter of sheep.

The slaughter is a re-enactment of the action taken by the Prophet Abraham, who was about to slay his son Ismail in obedience to a divine order received in a dream. As he began to kill the youth, God sent him a sheep to slaughter instead.

Meanwhile, it was also announced that most government offices in the Kingdom will remain closed until Tuesday, Nov. 6. They closed Thursday for the annual holiday marking the Pilgrimage.

In Beirut

Kleibi's talks 'successful'

BEIRUT, Oct. 26 (Agencies) — Arab League Secretary General Chadi Kleibi Friday described his talks with Lebanese, Palestinian and Syrian leaders on the forthcoming Arab summit as useful.

He said this after ending talks with Lebanese President Elias Sarkis and prior to his departure for his Tunis headquarters.

Kleibi, who paid a short visit to Damascus Thursday, said the November 20 summit would among other things, discuss organizing relations between the Lebanese authorities and the Palestine commando movement.

He added that his talks were characterized by "brotherly understanding."

The secretary general has been discussing suggestions to ensure success for the summit in bringing peace to Lebanon's war-ravaged southern region bordering Israel.

Meanwhile, U.S. State Department envoy Philip Habib brought his Mideast fact-finding mission to the heart of anti-Camp David territory in Damascus Friday and was greeted by more American diplomats than Syrians.

American Ambassador Talcott Seelye and a host of lower-ranking diplomats shook hands with Habib as he emerged from the American plane that brought him from Amman, where he met with King Hussein.

Habib, 59, was expected to meet with Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam later Friday. But it was not yet certain that he would be received by President Hafez Assad. Several members of the Syrian Foreign Ministry met him at the airport.

One American diplomat, commenting on

'Iraq can resist any aggression'

the cool reception, said, "it's always like that here unless the secretary of state or someone like that shows up."

Assad is one of the staunchest opponents to the Camp David peace accords and the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty that grew out of the American-sponsored peace plan.

The Habib mission is described by diplomats as a fact-finding tour aimed at gathering ideas that can be used to defuse the hostilities between Israel and Palestinian commandos and Syrian peacekeeping troops in southern Lebanon.

The Syrians, who have 22,000 troops in Lebanon, are central to any effort to bring peace to Lebanon.

The Syrian force smothered the civil war in 1976, but it did not go south of the Litani River, which is about 30 miles north of the Israeli border.

In Metullah, the commander of the rightist militia said Friday that a battalion of the Lebanese army could move into the militia headquarters of Marjayoun and operate with his forces.

But Maj. Saad Haddad said he doubted whether the battalion would be allowed through areas held by the Palestinians and leftists.

Haddad talked to reporters after he met a representative of the official Lebanese Army, in Marjayoun Friday.

He said he had proposed that the Lebanese troops, if they arrived, should take up positions facing the Palestinians and leftists on the line between Marjayoun and Kleya.

Kreisky carries message from Arafat to Carter

Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26 — Chancellor Bruno Kreisky of Austria was to deliver a message to President Jimmy Carter from Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat when the two men met here Friday, informed sources said.

Kreisky arrived at the White House Friday morning, and was to speak with reporters later in the day about his talks with Carter, but in the meantime there was speculation about the contents of his message.

Sources said Kreisky was likely to try and persuade Carter to begin talks with the PLO, something the U.S. has refused to do.

The message from Arafat was said to contain an explanation of the Palestinian position in light of recent Middle Eastern developments.

Kreisky is an outspoken supporter of a homeland for the Palestinians, and held a well-publicized meeting with Arafat in Vienna earlier this year.

Prior to his departure for the United States, he had said he would seek to get Carter to change his views on the Middle Eastern situation and particularly on the Palestinian question.

Carter, for his part, was expected to brief Kreisky on his proposal for a summit grouping the Austrian leader, Egypt's President Anwar Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin.

Meanwhile, in Brussels, the first high-level contact between the PLO and the European Economic Community took place Friday.

Farouk Kaddoumi, head of the PLO's political department, met with Common Market aid commissioner Claude Cheysson, an EEC spokesman said.

The meeting was informal and took place outside Common Market premises, but Thursday Kaddoumi received an official welcome from the Belgian government when he arrived in Brussels.

The government said it had not recognized the PLO but added the group "expresses the will of the Palestinian people."

After more than two hours of talks at the Palais d'Egmont, an official Belgian state residence, Foreign Minister Henri Simonet emerged to tell reporters that "the PLO is now the means and vehicle through which the will of the Palestinian people is being expressed."

"Reality is that, in spite of what is asserted



President Saddam Hussein

'Iraq can resist any aggression'

BAGHDAD, Oct. 26 (R) — Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, in a speech Thursday, described his country as a lake of oil and said the people were capable of defending it against aggression.

The Iraqi News Agency (INA) quoted the president as telling a rally at Balad, 50 kilometers north of here, that the Israelis might one day use the atomic bomb against the Arabs, but they should be determined to achieve victory.

He told the crowd: "The Iraqis can defend this oil lake against anyone trying to commit aggression on its border."

"This (Iraq being an oil-rich country) explains the designs of the United States and the ambitions of the super-powers with regard to your homeland," Hussein added.

Hussein called on the Iraqis to establish "close lines with the struggle of the Arab nation."

He said: "Arabs everywhere and here in Iraq should be determined not to be defeated before the usurping Zionist enemy but to create all prerequisites of victory to be able to extract our wealthy land in Palestine."



President Carter



Chairman Yasser Arafat

to us sometimes about the non-representativeness of the PLO, this organization has been able, already and in a repeated manner, to show in any case that it speaks in the name of the mainstream of the Palestinian people," Simonet said.

He said the future attitude of Belgium and the EEC towards possible recognition of the PLO would depend on events in the Middle East and the part the PLO plays in negotiations for a general settlement there.

Kaddoumi thanked Simonet for his invitation and the Belgian government for its "advance position regarding the cause of Palestine."

He said Simonet had acquainted him with the present position of Belgium and its Common Market partners regarding the situation in the Middle East.

Kaddoumi said there was emphasis "on the rejection of annexation of Palestinian territory by Israel, on rejection of occupation and on withdrawal by Israeli forces from all our Palestinian territories."

"This was recognition of the national rights of Palestinians," he concluded. "We are both

optimistic that within the coming months new developments will take place. Kaddoumi, the highest ranking official of the PLO ever to visit Belgium, arrived in Rome Friday after his talks with Cheysson in Brussels.

Authoritative sources said in Rome Thursday that Foreign Minister Franco Maria Malfatti had agreed to meet Kaddoumi but had not conveyed an official invitation to the Palestinian leader.

In Jakarta meanwhile, the PLO again Friday asked the Indonesian government permission to open a PLO representative office in Jakarta.

Khalid Sheikh, a special envoy of Arafat, told reporters this after his meeting with Foreign Minister Murtahar Kusumadmadja at the foreign office.

He discussed the latest developments in the Middle East and expressed hope that Indonesia would play a role in finding a solution to the Palestinian problem.

"We want to open a representative office in Indonesia," he said.

Khalid visited Kuala Lumpur and Colombo before coming to Indonesia.

In London

Talks on autonomy resumed

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Agencies) — Israeli, Egyptian and American negotiators met here Friday to assess progress toward the Camp David agreement's goals for Palestinian self-rule.

The conference between U.S. President Jimmy Carter's chief Mideast Envoy Robert Strauss, Egyptian Prime Minister Mustafa Khalil and Israeli Interior Minister Yosef Burg was not intended to make new decisions in the autonomy program, which has recently bogged down.

The three negotiators scheduled a news conference later Friday at London's Churchill Hotel.

Khalil said Thursday his government sticks by its interpretation that the Camp David accords mean Palestinian self-government should apply to the 1.5 million Palestinians living in the Gaza Strip and the occupied West Bank, and the land they live on.

Israel's position is that it should retain control of the land.

Khalil also reiterated Egypt's contention that East Jerusalem, is part of the West Bank territory and should return to Arab sovereignty.

Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin has vowed that a united Jerusalem will remain the capital of Israel.

Those two points have been stumbling blocks over which the tripartite autonomy talks have faltered. Khalil has also said the

London talks would touch on how to guarantee freedom of Palestinian elections in the occupied lands following autonomy.

Egyptian President Anwar Sadat said Thursday there are secret reasons why he believes the slow-moving negotiations will succeed by Camp David's May 1980 deadline. But he refused to divulge them.

Burg said Thursday he had brought new proposals to the London meeting.

But he would not, however, tell an airport news conference what the ideas were.

He did say that he did not think the negotiations on Palestinian autonomy, which began six months ago with the aim of producing a solution by a deadline of next May, were in such a hopeless state as Strauss appears to believe.

Strauss has spoken of "vast, vast differences" between Israel and Egypt over how much autonomy should be granted to 1.2 million Palestinians on the Israel-held West Bank and in Gaza.

Israel and Egypt agreed at the Camp David summit in September 1978 to negotiate the autonomy issue.

Without agreed concessions to the Palestinians, they and the United States see no hope of drawing the Palestinians and other Arab states into the Camp David peace process, which would make the Israel-Egypt peace treaty a basis for a wider Middle East settlement.

Two Lebanese executed for murder

SIDON, Oct. 26 (R) — Two Lebanese were shot dead near Sidon Friday after being found guilty by a revolutionary Palestinian-nationalist panel of murdering a man and his wife earlier this week.

Panel sources said six other Lebanese were given a two-year jail terms for their alleged involvement.

According to the same sources, Adnan Kanakri, 29, and Khodr Juma'a, 24, had their death sentences approved by Palestinian commando chief Yasser Arafat in his capacity as supreme commander of the joint Palestinian-nationalist forces.

The panel ended its hearings early Friday and the sentence was carried out in an orchard around noon, in the presence of Palestinian and Lebanese nationalist leaders, the sources said.

The sources said they believed the motive for killing Michael Konstantine and his wife in the Zaharani area near here on Tuesday was robbery.

In another development Lebanon has assigned two of its four naval vessels to a campaign against widespread piracy and smuggling along its coast, official sources said.

There have been several acts of piracy against Saudi Arabian and Iraqi cargoes in the last two months and more than 50 vessels are reported to have vanished or had their cargoes stolen in the eastern Mediterranean since 1977.

Up to now Lebanon has operated only sporadic coastal patrols involving routine customs checks.

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WHO declares mankind free of smallpox

NAIROBI, Oct. 26 (AP) — The World Health Organization declared mankind free of smallpox Friday, and said the epidemic disease that once killed and scarred millions will not return.

"Smallpox has finally been crushed, not only on the African continent but, indeed throughout the world," WHO Director General Halldan Mahler told a group of health specialists gathered to confirm and celebrate the occasion.

The last known smallpox case outside a laboratory was diagnosed exactly two years ago — on Oct. 26, 1977 — when a cook became ill in a town in Somalia. Since then, an intensive vaccination and surveillance campaign by more than 6,000 local health workers in Somalia and three neighboring countries that share the same nomadic populations — Kenya, Ethiopia and Djibouti — has turned up no new smallpox victims.

Dr. Jap Kostrowski of Poland told the meeting who survey teams

that met in Nairobi this week certified the four countries free of the disease. They were the last four countries lacking certification, he said, and so the entire world is now considered smallpox-free.

He recommended that routine smallpox vaccinations be terminated throughout the world and that nations no longer require vaccination certificates from foreign travelers. Many countries have already complied with recommendations, which WHO estimates could save more than a billion a year in public health costs.

WHO doctors say there is no chance smallpox will reappear. They say it is transmitted by a virus solely among humans and not through animals, insects or impure water.

WHO experts say their survey in eastern Africa would certainly have turned up any smallpox case, if it had occurred in the last two years. During that period, some nine million Kenyans — three-fifths

of the population — were vaccinated and more than half the 5 million Somalis were examined.

The last known case in South America occurred in 1971 and the last case in Asia was in 1975.

Smallpox cases were first recorded thousands of years ago. Symptoms included high fever and vomiting. Strong strains of the virus killed more than one-third of the victims. Weaker strains left many disfigured by pustules that appeared all over the body.

There was no cure for the epidemics that swept all the continents. A preventive vaccine developed by English physician Edward Jenner nearly 200 years ago was the first step toward eventual control of the disease.

The declaration of a world free from smallpox was made in a gray concrete-and-wood conference hall shaped like a conical African hut, and celebrated with traditional Kenyan tribal dancing.

Visit today

Ahmad will inspect pilgrim security

MECCA, Oct. 26 (SPA) — Deputy Interior Minister Prince Ahmad will tour the Holy Places Saturday to check on the security preparations for the Pilgrimage.

He will begin the tour from the security forces Mina headquarters, where he will inspect the operations rooms which were completed in this year to supervise the traffic situation in Medina, Jeddah, Taif and Mecca through

closed circuit television.

The tour will include the Civil Defense special emergency forces Helicopter pads, where he will see a demonstration of rescue and fire fighting operations.

According to Gen. Fayed Al-Awfi, director of public security, Prince Ahmad's visit is a regular inspection by officials checking on the proper use of the latest equipment acquired to

ensure complete security during the Pilgrimage.

Meanwhile, hundreds of thousands of people are converging on the Holy Places for the Pilgrimage. On Tuesday all the pilgrims, expected to number something under two million, will stand on Mount Arafat, the climax of the Pilgrimage.

The Health Ministry has announced that the health condi-

tions of the pilgrims are excellent while the General Directorate of Meteorology says the weather in the Holy Places will be moderate. The Commerce Ministry has said food stocks are adequate.

A delegation of 200 American Muslims representing American Islamic centers and societies arrived here Wednesday to perform the Pilgrimage. They are led by Dr. Ala el Din Kharoufah, director of the Muslim World League offices in the United States and Canada.

A mission from the Muslim Doctors Society in the United States and Canada arrived Friday, led by Dr. Rushdi Zakariya, the former chairman of the society.

The two delegations will take part in seminars and meetings organized by the Muslim World League during the Pilgrimage.

The heads of the two delegations praised Saudi Arabia for its service to pilgrims and its support to Muslims and Islamic causes everywhere. They pointed to the assistance provided by Saudi Arabia in translating the Holy Koran, and to the medical care provided to pilgrims.

To cope with the numbers, the Saudi Public Transport Company Friday opened a route between Riyadh and Mecca. It will run 30 buses a day for pilgrims from Riyadh.

Ten buses will leave at 7:00 a.m. ten at 8:30 a.m. and the rest at 10:00 a.m. from the Hejaz Station.

For Pilgrimage

Naif issues transport order

Jeddah, Oct. 26 — Interior Minister Prince Naif has instructed the Director of the General Directorate of Traffic to provide enough vehicles for carrying pilgrims. Buses should be made available 24 hours a day, Prince Naif said.

Al-Bilad reports that during his visit last week to the Holy Places Prince Naif added that buses should be available the whole year round to serve the public.

Sheikh Saleh Kamel, a member of the board of the Saudi Public Transport Company, promised to follow the matter closely, to achieve company's aim.

Three people who could not pay the fare when they boarded a

Emphasizes Islamic law

Mecca seminar stresses Sharia

MECCA, Oct. 26 (SPA) — The International Islamic Seminar has recommended the repeal of all laws and regulations at variance with the Sharia.

The seminar ended its eighth session here Thursday called for basing all laws on Islamic jurisprudence. It called on Muslims to preserve the structure of the family, promote virtue and prevent vice, and urged the opening of Sharia faculties in universities throughout the Islamic world.

Islamic countries were also called upon to apply the precepts of

Meat imports

to be checked

JEDDAH, Oct. 26 — No meat imports will be permitted from the end of November unless they are certified slaughtered according to the Sharia.

Al-Jazirah reported Thursday that the certificates will have to be stamped by Saudi Arabian diplomatic missions in the country of origin. All meat importers have been notified of the decision.

Seminar examines gap

between Arabs, others

JEDDAH, Oct. 26 — Establishing contacts between Arab and other cultures was the theme of a seminar that has just concluded in Granada, Spain.

Al-Bilad Thursday quoted an official of the Jeddah-based Organization of the Islamic Conference as saying that OIC Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs and Information Qasem Al-Zuhairi attended the meeting.

The five-day seminar was

attended by a large number of scholars and intellectuals from U.N. member states and representatives of other international organizations.

The seminar was addressed by the director general of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. Other topics discussed included the geographical and historical aspects of the subject and the factors that influence both Arab and other cultures.

Meanwhile, it was announced Thursday that Minister of Pilgrimage and Endowments Sheikh Abdul Wahab Abdul Wasie will open Nov. 5 an international Islamic symposium at the League's headquarters here.

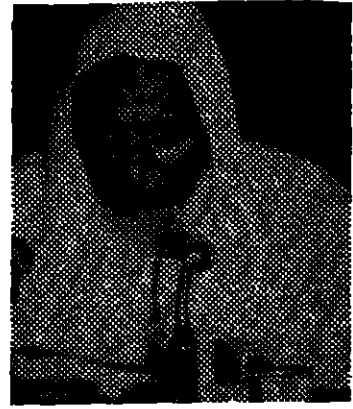
The meeting is to be organized by the ministry and the League and will be attended by leading Muslim intellectuals and scholars. They will discuss the responsibilities of Muslims.

Those taking part will include Sheikh Abdul Wahab the chief of Supreme Council of the Judiciary, Sheikh Abdullah bin Humaid Harakan, and Jordan's minister of religious affairs, Kamel Al-Sharif.

The second meeting will discuss discrepancies between the contemporary Muslim's thought and personal behavior.

Participants will include Sheikh Ahmad Al-Hamdani, Dr. Abdul Sabour Marzouk, Dr. Hassan Bajawdah, Dr. Ahmad Bahafizulla and Abdul Kareem Niyazi.

The third meeting will be devoted to the Pilgrimage and Muslim unity. It will be discussed by Sheikh Muhammad Mahmoud Al-Sawaf, Abdullah Bougazz, Abdul Rahman Tunisi and Hisban Khoshoggi.



Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Harakan Islamic symposium at the League's headquarters here.



MEETING: Minister of Pilgrimage and Endowments Sheikh Abdul Wahab Abdul Wasie meets the North Yemeni minister of endowments, who is also the leader of the North Yemeni pilgrimage mission.

Kingdom built mosque

Vienna Islamic center dedication set

By a Staff Writer

VIENNA, Oct. 26 — President Adolph Kirschleger will dedicate the Islamic center here Nov. 20. It includes a mosque built by financial assistance from Saudi Arabia.

Other Islamic countries also donated money to help build the center, for the country's 50,000 Muslims.

It is more than 10 years since plans were made for an Islamic

center in Vienna. The site, on the east bank of the Danube, was bought in 1968 and the mosque's foundation stone laid in the same year. The minaret was completed two years ago.

The center was planned and managed by Sheikh Farid Basrawi, who was until recently Saudi Arabia's ambassador in Vienna.

The construction contract was awarded to the Viennese firm of Richard Lugner. Muslim states donated other sections of the mosque such as the fountain, carpets, pulpit and windows.

The center is a major complex — the main mosque with a prayer hall and women's gallery, a separate hall for social and social events, a library, a smaller mosque, a Holy Koran school and living quarters for the Imam.

Designed in Turkish-Ottoman style, the mosque's copper plated dome rises 16.5 meters above the main building. Inside, the floors and walls are tiled, and decorated with abstract designs and Arabic script.

The complex was arranged on an axis pointing precisely in the direction of the Holy Kaaba in Mecca as determined by experts at Vienna's Central Institute of Meteorology and Geodynamics

and the Federal Institute of Weights, Measures and Surveys.

The mosque, with its large forecourt and central fountain — will make a dramatic addition to the city. A planned motorway along the bank of the Danube was dropped by about one meter to give a clear view of the building from the west bank. There are also plans to build a bridge over the proposed motorway to the mosque to facilitate access.

Children mark U.N. Day with multinational style

By Rama Hassan

JEDDAH, Oct. 26 — The Continental School here celebrated United Nations Day in appropriate style. Its entire enrollment of children from 34 countries, some in national dress, performed songs, sketches and dances in front of a backdrop of each national flag.

The performance, given Tuesday and Wednesday, was the first in the school's new premises. The headmaster, Trevor Williams, emphasized in his opening address the apposite celebration of international unity for the first public display of the new buildings.

BEIRUT, Oct. 26 — The Kingdom has given the Islamic Society for the Education of Muslim students in Lebanon 5,000 Lebanese pounds.

SPA reported Thursday that the Saudi Arabian charge d'affaires in Beirut handed the check for the contribution, an annual gift, to the society's chairman, Muhammad Omar Al-Daouq. The society has recently joined the Maqasid Islamic Society.

In other efforts by Saudis to support Islam, it has been reported that SR250 million has been set aside to build a press for producing copies of the Holy Koran in Mecca.

According to local reports, Crown Prince Fahd has approved the scheme and ordered work to begin immediately. Two weeks ago land was bought on the industrial area in the city.

The press, to use advanced technology, represents the first step in a major project for printing copies of the Holy Koran. Studies are under way to choose machinery.

It has also been reported that the Kiwa factory in Mecca is to be expanded, with a new division set to produce carpets for mosques.

Over an hour and a half the children of the school individually and in groups acted out sketches and sang songs illustrating life in different countries. There was a gymnastics display, and the finale featured a song that ran "It's a small world after all."

The audience was loudly appreciative, although its being mainly composed of parents may have influenced its pleasure. But a good deal of effort had been made, and it paid off.

Children in T-shirts bearing the school's insignia acted as ushers. Andre de Schutter, the Belgian ambassador and chairman of the school's board, was present.



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30 extra international circuits Pilgrim phone plans made

By a Staff Writer

RIYADH, Oct. 26 — To cope with the heavy demand on international services during the Pilgrimage, Saudi Telephone is to add 30 international circuits to its network and to erect eight temporary calling offices at the Holy Places.

The telephone company said Friday that 17 of the new circuits will be for Mecca, seven for Medina and six for Jeddah, providing extra line between the Kingdom and Muslim countries from Morocco to Indonesia. These are expected to absorb the extra 2,500 international calls that pilgrims are expected to make over and above the 15,000 placed from the Kingdom in an average day.

At the Holy Sites of Mina and Arafat and at Mecca, a further eight international calling "cabins" will be added to the six already in service. The cabins will be open 24 hours a day for the seven days of the Pilgrimage. The pilgrims will pay in advance and their calls will be placed by from six to 15 operators at each cabin.

An extra 100 Saudi operators will be brought to Mecca to staff the cabins and handle long-

distance calls. Most calls will go through a 10-man manual switch-board in Mecca.

The company also said that regular international services have been improved in time for the Pilgrimage. Mecca has been connected to the Jeddah international exchange while international subscriber dialling, where customers dial their own calls, is now available to regular Meccan callers.

Special delegations will receive access to international subscriber dialling and special lines and will be given advance copies of the Mecca-Taif telephone directory.

Jeddah hospital to use card system for patients

JEDDAH, Oct. 26 — Health Minister Dr. Hussein Al-Jazairi has approved the use of cards by patients at the Jeddah Central Hospital to facilitate work and to organize patients' access to doctors.

According to the hospital's Director, Dr. Abdul Rahman Hassanain, the cards will be issued from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. and emergency cases will be admitted directly.

This system will improve service

now being printed.

The Ministry of Posts, Telegraph and Telephone has meanwhile warned presses from printing telephone or telex directories without its permission.

The ministry said printing directories was its responsibility and nobody has the right to print them without permission, agreement or authorization.

It said some presses printed telephone directories for small areas without permission at the request of unauthorized people. It warned that the offenders will bear responsibility.

by making doctors aware of the number of patients that they have to see, and it will assure patients of attention. In the afternoon the cards will be issued from 4.30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

If the arrangement succeeds it will be applied in other hospitals.

A 260-bed hospital for the armed forces will meanwhile be opened in Jeddah next year. Construction is in its final stages, according to Colonel Hussein Saber, commander of the Air Defense School in the city.

According to Okaz, the hospital is four storeys high. It will complement the 60-bed armed forces hospital already in operation.

Next month a new armed forces hospital will be built in Taif. It will have 350 beds and take three years to build. A medical center is being built in Kharij to train personnel for armed forces hospital in the country.

In Los Angeles it has been announced that the Whittaker Corporation has received a \$500 million contract from Saudi Arabia to expand its present health care services.

Under the second contract, worth \$23 million, Greyhound will operate catering and commissary services at five camps at the industrial complex under construction at Yanbu. The two-year contract was awarded by the Royal Commission for Jubail and Yanbu.

Food service for about 5,000 bachelor-status workers at two camps and commissaries for 1,300 workers with families at three camps will be operated by the company.

Greyhound Support Services is a division of the Greyhound Corp.'s Food Management subsidiary. The two new contracts bring to 12, Greyhound Food Management's contracts with Saudi Arabia, a total value of \$85 million.

Greyhound provided similar construction camp services for 6,000 workers at the height of construction activities on the Alaskan Pipeline project.

U.S. company awarded camp management deals

By a Staff Writer

PHOENIX, Arizona, Oct. 26 — Two contracts totaling \$65 million for food service and construction camp management in Saudi Arabia have been awarded to Greyhound Support Services.

A two-year, \$42 million contract was awarded by the Ministry of Defense and Aviation to provide food, housekeeping and related services at the construction site of the new Riyadh International Airport, which will be the world's largest when completed in 1984.

Approximately 800 Greyhound employees will provide services for the 8,000 workers building the airport. In addition to food, housekeeping, laundry, and warehousing services, the company will operate barber-shops and post offices and manage recreational programs and commissaries.



PILGRIM LEADER: King Khaled receives Sheikh Said Hamad Al-Harthi, the leader of the Omani Pilgrimage delegation, in Jeddah Thursday.

Kingdom to expand offices D.C. vote no bar to embassy plan

WASHINGTON Bureau

WASHINGTON, — Saudi Arabia's plan to expand its embassy offices here will not be affected by a Washington city council vote to prohibit foreign embassies from locating their office buildings in two northwest residential neighborhoods of the city.

The embassy confirmed that Saudi Arabia's application to install a chancery in a house at 2929 Massachusetts Avenue was approved by the D.C. Zoning Commission before the city council voted for the ban last week.

Under the Saudi plan, the house will be used for offices and a 25-car parking lot will be constructed behind the house.

People living in the neighborhoods which border the area of foreign embassies have vigorously opposed the expansion, saying that the expansion "will bring lots of traffic, office lighting and noise."

The 1917 brick mansion, which Saudi Arabian plans to spend over \$2 million to restore and turn into offices, lies within the diplomatic overlay zones created by the D.C. Zoning Commission last year.

Under these regulations, chanceries may be located within areas which "overlay" residential zones — providing zoning officials decide they will be compatible with the neighborhoods.

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Saudi Arabia's to install chanceries in this zone — from Iran and Bangladesh — were rejected recently by D.C. zoning officials.

And now the State Department has promised to wage an all-out battle to overturn the city council-passed ban.

If Mayor Marion Barry does not veto the bill, then the State Department may take its fight to Congress.

Belgian party

JEDDAH, Oct. 26 — There will be a tea party for Belgian women in the Kingdom Saturday Nov. 3, at 5 o'clock, at the Belgian ambassador's residence here.

WEATHER					
It will be moderate in most parts, and partly cloudy in the Holy Places with possible showers.					
Winds will be light to moderate and southerly to southwesterly. They may be active inland, causing sand haze.					
Seas will be calm to moderate.					
Friday's temperatures (Maximum, minimum in centigrade)					
Mina	32	28	Jizan	35	26
Mecca	36	30	Wajh	30	20
Jeddah	34	29	Turaf	25	11
Riyadh	33	23	Arar	30	13
Dhahran	33	24	Sulayyel	33	16
Medina	31	22	Abha	23	10
Taif	25	16			

Saudi Comment

By Hamed Attas

Al-Jazirah

Austrians ban smoking in taxis and buses. If you try to ignore the sign with the two crossed cigarettes and the "No Smoking" on it, the driver reminds you of it gently. If you persist, he stops and invites you to leave the bus, again very politely. And you have to comply.

The same applies to Austrian Airlines planes. They know how to enforce the regulations. But despite the seats it reserves for smokers and despite the orders inscribed everywhere, Saudia does not.

I once happened to be on a flight from Athens to Jeddah and I almost suffocated from smoke. The "No Smoking" signs seemed to be there only for decoration. When I complained to the chief pilot that those playing havoc with the regulations were probably the same who applied the rules rigorously in their own countries, he shrugged his shoulders and said: "What can we do? Go and sit elsewhere."

I was dismayed. I recalled that when the same situation arose in another company's plane during a flight from X to Y, a hostess simply walked up to the smoker and ordered him to stub out his cigarette. And that was just a hostess, not the chief pilot.

In another comment in the same paper, Hofan Al-Hafzi Al-Shamrani asked what would happen if your guest asked you to take him out to a place in Riyadh where he could breathe and rest?

In other words, what would happen if he asked you to take him to a public park where he could see some greenery?

Probably, Riyadh municipality has the answer for that pressing question.

We have no reproach for those in charge of the municipality for all the efforts they put into modernizing the city and coping with development. But, but Riyadh is a big city which needs such parks for weekend rests and to renew the oxygen which people breathe there — which is one very important requirement of the city's development.

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Moscow, Aden sign friendship treaty

MOSCOW, Oct. 26 (Agencies) — Talks between Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev and South Yemeni leader Abdul Fattah Ismail ended here Thursday with the signing of a treaty of friendship and cooperation, Moscow Radio and the Soviet news agency Tass reported.

Ismail, leader of South Yemen which sits at the southern end of the Arabian Peninsula and at the crucial southern entrance to the Red Sea, arrived in the Soviet Union Wednesday afternoon.

He was greeted by Brezhnev, who had not been seen in public since Oct. 8.

In addition to the friendship treaty, the two leaders signed "a plan of contacts between the Communist Party of the Soviet Union and the Yemeni Socialist Party for 1980-1983," Tass said.

Also signed was a protocol covering economic and technical cooperation.

A joint communique issued at the end of the talks said the two countries "will continue the active struggle against the intrigues of imperialism, for final eradication of colonialism and racism in all their forms and manifestations."

Tass said the treaty will run for a period of 20 years.

The two sides committed themselves to working for a "lasting and just peace in the Middle East" and to achieving a comprehensive Middle East settlement.

On defense, the treaty states that the two countries will "continue to develop cooperation in the military field on the basis of appropriate agreements concluded between them and in the interests of the strengthening of their defense ability."

It also says that "in the event of the appearance of situations creating a danger to peace, or of a violation of international peace, the two sides will strive to immediately contact each other with the goal of coordinating their positions in the interests of the removal of the danger or the restoration of peace."

Ismail headed Friday for Leningrad to begin a program of sight-seeing, Tass reported.



GREETING: Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev greets South Yemeni leader Abdul Fattah Ismail who arrived in Moscow Wednesday for an official visit. Ismail concluded his talks Thursday by signing a treaty of friendship and cooperation with the Soviets.

Soviets seen at odds with Iran over Kurds

MOSCOW, Oct. 26 (Agencies) — Soviet sympathy appears to be growing for Iran's rebellious Kurdish minority after initial uncertainty over how to treat the Kurdish problem, diplomatic sources say.

Western diplomats believe the Soviet position, if continued, could put new stress on the delicate relations between Moscow and the Iranian Islamic republic.

Relations have been on a fragile course since the February revolution, and some diplomats believe Soviet spotlighting of the Kurdish question reflects Kremlin concern over the whole state of Moscow-Tehran relations.

The Communist Party newspaper *Pravda* published an appeal Friday by a Soviet physician for a peaceful solution to the "fratricidal war" in Kurdistan. Members of the 4 million Kurdish minority have been battling government forces for months in support of their demands for autonomy.

"The Iranian authorities have resorted to repressions to Kurdish demands for autonomy," the physician, himself of Kurdish nationality, wrote in his letter.

Meanwhile, Soviet press organs in recent days have highlighted calls by various Iranian figures for a peaceful settlement to the Kurdish dispute. *Pravda* claimed Wednesday that the Iranian government was insisting on the use of force as part of its approach to the Kurdish problem.

In Tehran meanwhile, rebel sources said Thursday that Kurdish leaders have appealed to Iran's second most influential leader, Ayatollah Kazem Shariat-Madari, to find a peaceful solution to their two-month-old insurgency.

Shariat-Madari, spiritual leader of the Kurds' northern neighbors, the Turkish-speaking Azerbaijanis, was not immediately avail-

able for comment but West Azerbaijan governor-general confirmed that a telegram containing the Kurdish appeal had been received.

Shariat-Madari said earlier this week he would be prepared to arbitrate in the Kurdish conflict if asked to do so by both sides.

A spokesman for the banned Kurdish Democratic Party (KDP) said, "Since he declared his readiness to act in Kurdistan... we have asked him to immediately finish the war."

Elsewhere, six convicted guerrillas were sent to the firing squad in the southern city of Ahwaz Thursday, first since Ayatollah Khomeini last week called an indefinite halt to executions.

Syria, Cyprus stress complete Mideast solution

DAMASCUS, Oct. 26 (R) — Syria and Cyprus have condemned Israeli attacks on Lebanon and called for a comprehensive Middle East settlement.

A joint statement issued here Thursday following a three-day visit to Syria by President Spyros Kyprianou of Cyprus said:

"The two sides again denounce Israel's continuous aggression on Lebanon and its repeated attacks on the southern region..."

The statement said "There can be no real solution in the absence of all parties concerned with the problem, notably the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people."

On Cyprus, the statement expressed deep regret for "failure to achieve the desired solution for the Cypriot problem the broadlines of which have been consecrated by U.N. resolutions."

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Commando chief urges use of oil against U.S.

KUWAIT, Oct. 26 (AP) — A Palestinian commando leader Friday called on Arab leaders to adopt measures against the United States, including use of the oil weapon, to force it to recognize Palestinian rights.

Nayef Hawatmeh, leader of the Popular Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine, rejected the latest American initiative for settling the Lebanese problem saying this was an attempt to neutralize Arab opposition to the Camp David peace treaty.

"The American proposal means the withdrawal of Palestinian resistance from Lebanon and concluding a long armistice which is tantamount to capitulation," Hawatmeh said in an interview with the Kuwaiti newspaper *Al-Wakeel*.

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Two explosions reported in Israel

TEL AVIV, Oct. 26 (AP) — Two bombs exploded in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv Friday morning, and a policeman was wounded in one of the explosions, authorities said. The first explosion occurred about 6:30 a.m. in the Abu Tor district in Jerusalem. A device hidden in bushes blew up. Three hours later a bomb exploded as a police bomb expert was removing it from a bus at the Tel Aviv central bus station. The policeman was injured.

Israel hikes gasoline price by 25%

TEL AVIV, Oct. 26 (R) — Israel raised the price of gasoline by about 25 per cent Thursday night, the second increase in three months. The increase was part of a series of price rises this week for essential items. It was expected to boost further Israel's inflation rate which threatens to top 100 per cent by the end of the year.

Sheikh Zayed's cousin dies at 70

ABU DHABI, Oct. 26 (R) — Sheikh Muhammad Ben Khalifa Al-Nahayan, cousin of United Arab Emirates President Sheikh Zayed Ben Sultan Al-Nahayan and head of the family, was buried in Abu Dhabi Thursday. He died Wednesday in London aged 70.

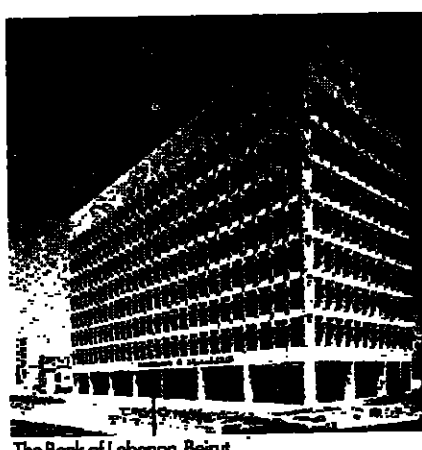
Floods destroy Upper Egypt houses

CAIRO, Oct. 26 (R) — Thousands of homes were destroyed in flash floods in Upper Egypt, a presidency spokesman said Thursday. The spokesman, reporting a visit to the area Wednesday by President Anwar Sadat's wife Jehan, said the provinces of Aswan Sohag Quena and Red sea districts were all affected.

Eight killed in Turkish violence

ISTANBUL, Oct. 26 (AP) — Eight more persons died in violent clashes across Turkey during the night, Istanbul newspapers reported Thursday. In Aydin, in western Turkey, masked men with pistols stormed into a coffee house and opened fire into a crowd of customers, killing a student. In Izmir two rival left-wing factions clashed killing a high school student. Ambush-slayings by suspected terrorists were also reported in Eskisehir, in western Turkey, and in some violence-torn eastern Turkish provinces, leaving six dead.

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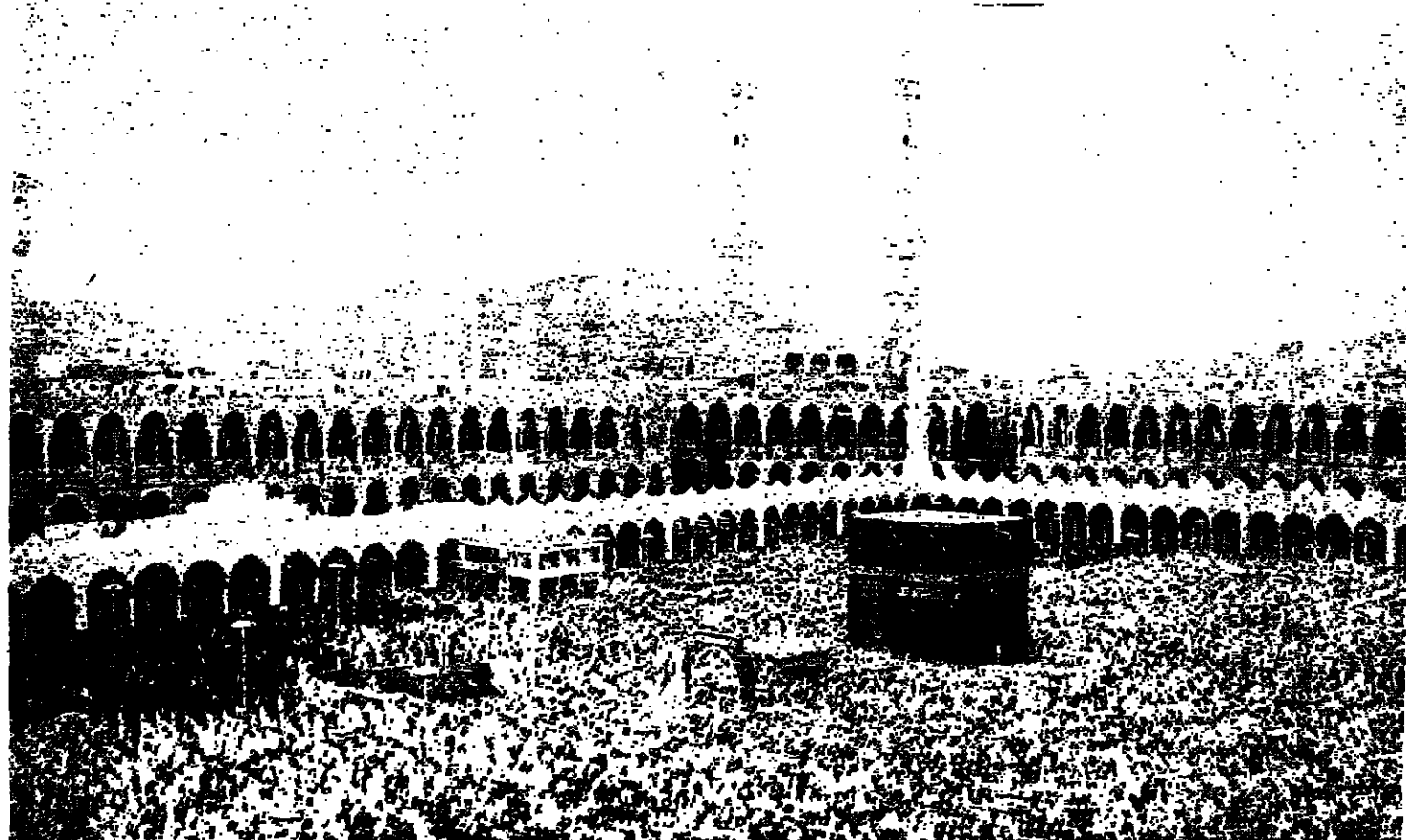


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A clinic for Turkish pilgrims

By Rana Siddiqi

JEDDAH— If the small group of Muslims who performed the first Hajj with the Prophet Muhammad almost fifteen hundred years ago were to visit the Holy City of Mecca today, they would not recognize it. Yet, though the physical surroundings have changed, there is the same spirit among the 2 million people gathering in the Holy City.

Every year it is increasingly obvious how much the Kingdom does for the pilgrims, but it is somewhat disappointing that other Muslim countries do not exert as much effort. A beginning could be made by giving proper advice and training to the pilgrims before they come here. Muslim countries should also develop a system of controlling the pilgrim traffic, the idea not being to deny any Muslim his Hajj, but to bring order and organization to the event. After all, those in a London bus queue all get on the bus.

The planes landing in quick succession (521 flights went through

Jeddah in 24 hours just before the cutoff time for pilgrim arrivals), the bustle around Shuhrah Sitten and Mina Road, and the crowds in around the air and seaport are reminders that Jeddah has once again opened its doors to the hordes of pilgrims who will be performing Hajj on the ninth day of the twelfth month of the Muslim year. This year's Hajj is particularly significant as it heralds the end of the 14th century of the Hijra calendar.

Hajj is one of the five tenets of Islam, enjoined on every Muslim of means. As is revealed in the Holy Quran: "And pilgrimage to the House is a duty which men owe to Allah."

When you talk to Muslims who have come on the Hajj they often say, "I've been meaning to come for a long while but I wasn't called." It's almost as if they have at last been invited to the party, they have been called.

The pilgrim first enters into the state of Eham by donning two pieces of seamless white cloth.

This is a physical symbol of one's intention to go on the Hajj. It is a state of grace.

It is compulsory to enter into Eham before certain limits around Mecca Mukkaramah. These specified boundary points are known as Meeqat. You have to declare to God in prayer the intention of making Hajj before crossing the Meeqat. Pilgrims leaving Jeddah usually dress and enter into Eham before leaving their rooms in the city, which is usually the night of the seventh day of Dhul Hijja.

Unless you are a Hajji, stay away from the road to Mecca that night. Traffic is so thick that the 45 kilometer journey takes at least five hours. It is, though, a breathtaking sight to see the pilgrims. Amid the roar of the traffic rise the voices of the pilgrims: "Labbaik Allahumma Labbaik", words attributed to the Prophet on His pilgrimage.

When you arrive in Mecca you proceed to the Haram Sharif where the Holy Kaaba and the

Mosque are located. The tall, beautiful, imposing minarets of the Mosque can be seen from afar. You walk to the Holy Sanctuary from one of the several gates and begin the Tawaf, or greeting: a circumambulation of the Kaaba seven times starting from the side where the Holy Black Stone is placed.

After completing the Tawaf you walk seven times between the two hills of Marwa and Safa. It was here that Hajar, wife of the Prophet Ibrahim, wandered, desperately searching for water for her son Ismail.

By the time you've completed the above two rituals it is almost time for the morning prayer after which the caravans of pilgrim buses start departing for Mina, the next stop in the journey. During the Hajj, Mina is a city of tents, stretching in endless rows.

After a day and night of rest, you leave early on the 9th day of Dhul Hijja, the main day of the pilgrimage, for Arafat to say the noon and afternoon prayers of

Zuhr and Asr. This is the most essential part of the pilgrimage. All must remain within the boundaries of Arafat until sunset. It is a day spent in prayer and meditation.

Immediately as the sun sets you leave for Muzdalfa to spend the night under the open sky. It is here that you collect small pebbles which are required for the next stage in the ritual.

After the Fajr (early morning) worship at Muzdalfa you return to Mina, for three days. Here, in symbolic rejection of the devil, you throw stones at the Jamras, the three obelisks. Then it is time for the sacrifice. This day is the day of Eid al Adha, the Feast of the Sacrifice, and with this the Hajj is complete. One can do the sacrifice on the 10th, 11th or 12th days of Dhul Hijja and return to the Kaaba once more to do a last Tawaf.

On the 12th day of Dhul Hijja you can leave Mina and your tent life and return to the routine of the outside world, tired, happy and contented.



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Hua's trip may have an ulterior motive

By Dennis Bloodworth

SINGAPORE — While the West welcomes the current European tour of Chairman Hua as a milestone in modern diplomacy, Chinese see it as the upshot of a stiff political bargain struck in Peking and calculated to make more impact at home than abroad.

Although Hua is expected to return to China in triumph with an image larger than life, it will also be the image of a committed cosmopolitan pragmatist estranged from the left-wing 'Maoists', who have hitherto looked to him to restrain a bulldozing vice-premier Deng Xiaoping bent on sacrificing Mao's doctrine to modernization.

'Maoist' is shorthand for a huge conglomerate of Chinese humanity half-blocking the 'four modernizations' with which Deng hopes to project China into the 21st century as a major industrial power.

At its apex it includes Bible-punchers in the Politburo who treat every word of Mao's message as holy writ even when it puts ideological purity before progress, and who therefore decry China's plunge into 'capitalist' practice as heresy.

In the provinces it includes millions of insecure mid-level party and administrative cadres raised on Mao, and tarnished by their role during the discredited left-wing 'Cultural Revolution' of the sixties.

At best, these men and women work to rule when asked to execute the modernization policies of the

pragmatists, either because they oppose them, or because they are anticipating a radical backlash that would put them in the wrong again if they showed willing.

For these detractors of Deng, Hua was the chosen heir of whom the dying Mao had said, 'with you in charge, I'm at ease'. He had a record of devotion to the Maoist ideals of the selfless collective society, socialist self-reliance, putting 'politics in command', and he had been linked with the leftists who condemned men like the practical Deng for 'lawning on foreign things'. As Chairman and Premier, he was the hope of the many who had now become heretics in their turn.

But now he tells his European capitalist hosts that he wants to see 'everything to do with your economic, scientific and technological experience'. Massive television coverage projected to China's millions will show Hua bobbing with the bourgeois bosses of the West, with whom he wished to 'strengthen friendship and promote co-operation'.

Having risen to power as a loyal disciple of the thought of Mao, Hua has since backed a policy of modernization involving foreign credits and domestic capitalism that could make Mao turn in his mausoleum. His break with the loose faction of five Maoist leaders in Peking appeared complete when they failed to see him off at the airport. Except for one member absent sick, the rest of a politburo

Lebanon gropes for answers

By Jeremy Cliff

NABATIYEH, Lebanon

"The Christians won't start shelling until after midday. It's Sunday and they're all at mass this morning," said the commander of nationalist forces in this South Lebanese market town.

Sobhi Hazima takes a cynical view of the latest in a string of ceasefires arranged between the Israeli-backed rightwing Christian militias and the Palestinians and their allies here in the war-ravaged south of the country.

"The Christians open up when things look bad for the night in Beirut or the north," Commander Hazima comments. "Ceasefires last as long as they say."

Fighting in the volatile south flared up again in mid-October after a brief lull in the conflict which has turned the rugged border region into a virtual free-fire zone and created a big refugee problem for the authorities.

It preceded a sudden flurry of diplomatic activity with the United States, France, the United Nations and Arab countries all involved in trying to bring peace to the area.

American, French and Arab envoys converged on Lebanon this week, but the French diplomat, Gabriel Robin, denied that his visit was connected with the U.S. effort.

Some Beirut papers comment that there is a race on over whether Arab or U.S. solutions to the South Lebanon issue will triumph.

The U.S. envoy is 59-year-old Philip Habib, a career diplomat of Lebanese origin, sent to Beirut after Secretary of State Cyrus Vance said he wanted to convert the south's present uneasy ceasefire into a more stable truce.

Lebanese officials said they believed the Americans wanted to increase the size of the United Nations peace-keeping force in the south. Habib said he was seeking a solution within the framework of U.N. resolutions on Lebanon.

The present 6,000-strong U.N. force was sent in after a full-scale Israeli invasion of the south in March last year. The Israeli-backed rightist militias control a 10-kilometer deep strip of Lebanese territory all along the 90-kilometer border between the U.N. troops to the north and the Jewish state to the south.

The Beirut government wanted to send two battalions of the Lebanese army to the area but this requires the hitherto 'unobtainable' agreement of the opposing militia forces.

Habib's trip is taking him to Syria, Jordan and

Israel as well as Lebanon.

Before Habib left Washington, State Department spokesman Hodding Carter said the envoy would not meet officials of the Palestine Liberation Organization (P.L.O.), unlike Robin, the Frenchman, who had talks with P.L.O. Chairman Yasser Arafat at his Beirut headquarters.

Informed Western sources in the Lebanese capital, citing Robin's meeting, speculate that Washington may ask the French to act as interlocutors with the P.L.O.

Habib is due to visit the French capital on his way back to Washington as well as call on Pope John Paul II in Rome.

At the United Nations this month the Pope lent his weight to the growing international efforts over Lebanon. He pleaded powerfully for respect for its tranquility, independence and territorial integrity.

The Pope also said there was a need for a just settlement of the Palestinian question and international guarantees concerning Jerusalem, a holy place for Muslims and Christians alike.

The Secretary General of the Arab League, Cheddi Kleib, arrived in Beirut on the same flight from London as Habib. Ways of settling the South Lebanon problem will be discussed at an Arab League summit conference in Tunis starting on Nov. 20.

Kleib covered Lebanese proposals on the south with Lebanese President Elias Sarkis in preparation for the summit, which will be preceded by a meeting of Arab foreign ministers.

One key issue in the South Lebanon problem is how to restore the Beirut government's authority there. At present only some 500 Lebanese army regulars are stationed in the area. They are far outnumbered by the rival militias.

In the last few months Lebanese Premier Selim Hoss has had extensive contacts with Palestinian and nationalist Lebanese leaders about a full return of the army to the south.

The garrison of nationalists at Nabatiyeh is central to these discussions. Commander Hazima's 2,500 men are part of the breakaway Lebanese Arab Army which defected from the regulars during the 1975-76 civil war.

The government wants to move the regulars into Nabatiyeh and other parts of the south but the Lebanese Arab Army refuses to get out.

The Christian militias of rebel Lebanese army Maj. Saad Haddad say they will allow the regulars in, but so far they have been able to make such declarations secure in the knowledge that the other side will not budge. (R)

ROAD TO NOWHERE

America's envoy to the Middle East, Robert Strauss, had to admit recently that after months of negotiations over the question of Palestinian autonomy, Egypt and Israel have been unable to agree on a single issue. Egypt's prime minister, Mustapha Khalil, said more or less the same thing recently. This being the case, it is hard to say what purpose will be served by the London meeting of the Camp David parties.

Since there is no question of new ideas for breaking the deadlock, the meeting cannot but be an exercise in perpetuating the talks. The negotiators have reached the ridiculous position of having no aim but the talks themselves. Rather than a means to an end, namely, the formulation of an autonomy plan which the Palestinians might find acceptable, they have become a self-perpetuating facade to cover up the bankruptcy of the whole approach.

In any case, the talks are held at a time when Begin's isolation at home deepens; something which would lead to even more intransigence and aggressiveness on his part. In his first statement to the press after his resignation, Dayan called on Israel to unilaterally grant the West Bank and Gaza a form of autonomy. Although this still stipulates Israeli military presence in these areas and absolutely forbids the establishment of a Palestinian state, it is still sufficiently repugnant to Begin to form a worrying outflanking move.

On the other hand, the judgment against the Elon Moreh settlement handed down by the Israeli supreme court will force a revision of the settlement program as a whole. The challenge the judgment poses for the 'national security' excuse for appropriation of Arab land might lead to new legislation, in which the purely expansionist motivation could no longer be covered up.

Rumors of further resignations abound, in addition to a series of confidence motion in the Knesset. All this will ensure that the Israeli negotiator will arrive in London doubly constrained to his government's obstructionist views.

With the Americans visibly discouraged and the Israelis in no mood to compromise, the Egyptian negotiator must be approaching his task with a sinking heart. Israel proved its imperviousness to embarrassment. America is fully aware of Israeli obstruction, without this leading to any change in its view of Camp David. It is too late to win the rest of the Arabs to this static 'peace process'. Nothing for him but to soldier on glumly, moving to nowhere in particular.

THE ARMS DECISION

Arabs everywhere cannot but welcome most heartily the news given out by Prince Sultan of the formation of a new Arab armament organization, to replace the one dissolved in Cairo following the signing of the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty.

Scrapping the older organization caused a deep shock in the Arab world. But it simply could not continue in Cairo, given Sadat's removal of Egypt from the Arab line-up against Israel. The new organization will concentrate on developing the armament industries already extant in the Arab world, in preparation for the time when 'Arabs begin to approach self-sufficiency in war material'.

The Arab world has always had to pay a heavy price for its dependence on both the East and the West for military equipment. In addition to the heavy financial burden there was always the question of proneness to political and military pressure which such dependence entails. Independent Arab action on the international scene was always vitiated by this. This is why building an independent armament industry is an urgent priority.

The Arab nation is giving notice through the new organization that its political and military mobilization in the cause of Palestine will now be gradually supported by mobilizing its skills. There is certainly no dearth of organizers, scientists, engineers and skilled workers in the Arab world. For too long has the softer option of buying arms to defend Arab legitimate rights been pursued. But the limitation of this policy has now been more than amply demonstrated.

But the Arab governments embarking on this laudable venture have to realize that they do not fulfil through it except the most elementary of their countries' needs. Such a project cannot stand in isolation from a general industrial mobilization. Industrial development is what the coming generations demand from the present one. This is the really inexhaustible capital which the Arab world needs if it is to sustain itself in this threatening world.

Japan worries about the U.S. defense strategy

By Donald Kirk

TOKYO — If war ever breaks out between NATO and the Warsaw Pact, American troops will be flown from Asia to join their comrades in Europe.

This is known as 'swing strategy' and Japan's military brass don't like it because America's Asian forces are already seriously depleted.

When U.S. Defense Secretary Harold Brown arrived in Tokyo last week, the swing strategy was to come under some pressure.

"We will ask what kind of policy exists," a senior Japanese foreign affairs official politely remarked the other day, admitting his government was 'worried' about the implications a time when the Soviet Union is increasing its own forces in the area.

The official indirectly linked the Soviet build-up to the Kremlin's avowed intention of reducing forces in East Germany, saying the Russian strategy was to 'reduce in some parts of the world and increase in others'.

Only last month the United States touched off a flurry of new concern here about Kremlin intentions by passing on an intelligence report verifying the presence of between 2,000 and 3,000 Soviet

troops on the island of Shikotan, one of four small islands off Hokkaido overrun by Soviet troops at the end of World War II but claimed ever since by Japan.

The information, believed to have been picked up by an American satellite, meant the Soviet Union had installed the equivalent of a full 10,000-man division spread over three of the islands, including Etorofu and Kunashiri as well Shikotan, said a Japan Defense Agency official.

The Soviet Union began the build-up a year ago with the introduction of a brigade on what was then viewed as a mere 'training exercise'. The Russians also maintain a full army headquarters on one of the islands, which they had previously manned only with territorial forces after withdrawing their regular troops in 1960.

The Japanese government handed what Prime Minister Masayoshi Ohira called a 'very serious request' to the Soviet Ambassador, demanding withdrawal of the troops, but Ohira carefully stopped short of using the word 'protest'. As one Japanese official said: 'We are watching with concern, but what can we do?'

Japanese admit to a sense of hopelessness in persuading the Russians to abandon what is generally

regarded as an attempt to intimidate Japan psychologically and politically into loosening its close military ties with the U.S.

Japanese and Americans often refer to the four northern islands as 'Japan's Cuba', meaning Japan can no more force the Russians to leave them than the White House can persuade the Kremlin to withdraw its brigade from Cuba.

The newly surfaced reports of the existence of swing strategy — evidently kept secret from Japan and America's other Asian allies for the past 25 years — have strengthened Japanese fears of abandonment by the U.S. in case of a real crisis.

A Japanese defense official pointed out last week that the U.S., over the past decade, has halved its Pacific fleet from 900 to 450 ships, including two aircraft carriers, five cruisers and 20 submarines, ranged against three times as many Soviet ships, including 125 submarines and one carrier, the Minsk, a Kiev-class vessel introduced to Far Eastern waters on a much-publicized voyage last summer.

The swing strategy row has exposed a long-running dispute between America's Ambassador to Japan, Mike Mansfield, former Senate majority leader and a staunch ally of President Jimmy Car-

ter, and some of Carter's top aides, including Secretary Brown.

In a briefing for American correspondents at his official residence, Mansfield said he had repeatedly called for 'parity' between American forces in Europe and those in Asia, which include 46,000 here and another 40,000 in South Korea.

The Ambassador, known as a 'dove' on American involvement in Indochina in his days in the U.S. Senate, charged his Government with 'hanging on to an outmoded policy', by refusing to redress the enormous imbalance between deployment of U.S. forces in Europe and in Asia.

He pointed out that a quarter of the Russian land forces and 26 per cent of its air force, including about 2,000 planes, posed a 'threat that could come from any direction' against Japan. The U.S. keeps only 10 squadrons — approximately 400 planes — in Japan, South Korea and the Philippines, plus another 270 planes based on carriers.

"I have felt for a long time this is an area of paramount interest to our security," said the ambassador, but he claimed he got only put-offs and 'requests for more memorandums' whenever he expressed his concern to Brown and other officials in Washington. —(OFNS)

saudi press review

Weekend newspapers led mostly with the government announcement on the final date of the Pilgrimage and the Finance Ministry's decision to pay the value of large contracts in the U.S. dollar rather than the Saudi riyal. *Okaz* quoted the Arab League Secretary General in its lead as saying that a peace in Lebanon requires the reorganization of relations between the Lebanese army and the Palestinians. *Al-Nadwa* lead with Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan's call to young Saudi Arabians to join the armed forces.

A majority of newspapers frontpaged the graduation ceremony of two groups of cadets at the Technical Studies Institute in Dhahran, presided over by Prince Sultan. They also highlighted Djibouti's denial of Egyptian

claims of a shift of the former's policy toward Egypt. *Al-Jazirah* reported on its front page that the European Common Market countries are calling for a comprehensive Middle East solution that guarantees the rights of the Palestinian people.

Al-Madina said in a front-page story that units of the Afghan army have joined the revolutionary forces in Afghanistan, and said in another front-page story that the American administration was pessimistic over the outcome of Egyptian-Israeli talks. King Hussein's stress on Arab solidarity during his talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad received prominence on the front page of *Okaz* newspaper.

Al-Jazirah spelled out hopes for the failure of talks in London among the delegations of Egypt,

Israel and the United States on the so-called Palestinian autonomy. The paper based its hopes on the nature of relations and political ideologies that exist between the Israeli government and Israelis of all political leanings. It said that most of them support the idea that the Arab residents of the occupied territory must be accorded on a third grade position. "They hold such a view because of the fact that they themselves are divided into two groups based on race and material as well as social status," it said.

"Future phases of the tripartite talks on the so-called autonomy will be still more difficult, not because of any radical differences among them but due to the Israeli intransigence on perpetuating the occupation of the Arab territories," the paper said.

In another commentary Friday, *Al-Jazirah* warned the Arabs of Israel's continuous efforts to implement its policy of capturing Arab lands. It described the recent capture of a large area near the town of Jenin as a "fresh slap on the face of human society", and said this Israeli move was a blatant challenge to the international community.

Al-Bilad urged the Arabs to prepare a practical plan against the Zionist existence. For the last six years, the paper said, the Arabs have proved that they were anxious for a comprehensive and just peace. "Although they were able to create a shift in the world attitude toward the Middle East problem, they have not been able to not pressure the enemy to give up his policy of aggression," it said.

Referring to the forthcoming Arab summit meeting, the paper said the summit will be faced with an uphill task of carrying out a comprehensive study of the happenings in the Arab world. However, the newspaper emphasized the significance of the summit in as much as "it will reinforce the steadfastness of the Arabs to such a degree that the enemies will not get any opportunity of carrying out their plots against the Arabs." *Al-Nadwa* concentrated on the situation in Lebanon and advised the Lebanese to study the American proposals with great care so that they may not fall a victim to any enemy plot. Criticising the U.S. proposals, the paper said that, "Washington's proposals had a tinge of the Zionist enemy's influence."

"Whatever Washington does in

regard to the Arab causes proves to be wrong, because its actions are conditioned by the implementation of the Zionist ambitions without any regard to right and justice and even to its own interests in the region," the paper added.

Al-Madina dwelled on Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan's statement on the revival of the Arab Organization for Industrialization (AOI), and said his reassurance of the establishment of a new AOI has revived the hopes and aspirations of all Arabs and Muslims. "The prince's statement symbolizes the fact that the element of power is very much alive in the Arabs," the paper said, adding that "whatever the Arabs have achieved through their cooperation will only gain strength and flourish in the future."



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Bangkok to ask U.N. to send committee to Thai-Cambodia border

BANGKOK, Oct. 26 (AP) — Thai Prime Minister Kriangsak Chavanan, angered by criticism of Thailand's role in the Cambodian conflict, announced Friday that he will ask the United Nations to send a committee to be permanently stationed at the tense Thai-Cambodian border.

The Thai leader's comments are apparently directed at allegations from Vietnam and the anti-backed Cambodian government in Phnom Penh that his country was siding with the guerrillas of toppled Cambodian Premier Pol Pot.

Kriangsak cut short his visit to the countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (SEAN) and returned to Bangkok Thursday. He told a news conference Friday that he decided to lift off stops in Indonesia and the Philippines because of reports of growing tension along the Thai-Cambodian border.

Kriangsak said the foreign ministry will submit a letter to Secretary General Kurt Waldheim Friday asking the United Nations to dispatch a special fact-finding committee to be stationed at the border to report back to U.N. members about Thailand's policy and operations.

The proposed committee could also "advise" the Thai government on the operations of the Thai military at the border.

Thailand has accused Vietnamese troops inside Cambodia of violating Thai territory by firing artillery and mortar rounds into Thailand that have already killed several Thais and Cambodians along the border.

Kriangsak, who said he decided to return to Thailand to "reassure the public", said he did not wish to see the extinction of the Cambodian race because of continuing war.

Normally low-keyed and soft-spoken, Kriangsak's voice rose to anger pitch when talking of the Cambodian situation.

"The Cambodians have suffered enough in the past 30 years from war in their country because of outside interference," Kriangsak said. "If those people who started the war in Cambodia would like to continue fighting, I would be happy to set aside an area for them (in which to fight)."

His criticism was apparently directed towards the Soviet Union and Vietnam, which support Heng Samrin, and China, which supports Pol Pot.

House okays \$ 30m in aid for starving Cambodians

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26 (AP) — The U.S. House of Representatives has approved \$ 30 million in aid for starving Cambodians. The money is part of \$ 69 million pledged by President Jimmy Carter.

The House approved the package 362-10 after a brief debate. "While we're talking, people in Cambodia are dying," said Rep. Stephen Solarz, New York, "so I hope we will pass this with a minimum of discussion."

Carter pledged the \$ 69-million contribution Wednesday to avert a tragedy of genocidal proportions in Cambodia.

Meanwhile, sources at the United Nations said, Secretary Gen-

eral Kurt Waldheim is expected to convene a conference in New York early next month to discuss aid for Cambodian refugees.

They said the conference would be similar to one held in Geneva in July which received commitments of \$ 190 million.

The emphasis in Geneva was on the so-called "boat people" and other refugees from Vietnam.

The sources said next month's conference would deal with aid for refugees from Cambodia wracked by famine and continued fighting between the Vietnamese-backed Heng Samrin government and supporters of the pro-Peking Pol Pot government overthrown early this year.



TENSE BORDER: Two Cambodians carry a sick woman into a refugee camp inside Thailand Tuesday after crossing the border. The Thai-Cambodian border is tense these past weeks after several Vietnamese shelling into Thai territory. Thai Prime Minister Kriangsak Chavanan Friday said he would request the U.N. to send a committee to supervise the border.

Family members co-signers Sindona \$ 3m bail renewed

NEW YORK, Oct. 26 (Agencies) — A U.S. federal judge has reinstated Michele Sindona's \$ 3 million bail after the Italian financier agreed to a deal that holds his two children and son-in-law responsible if he fails to appear for his upcoming bank fraud trial.

U.S. District Court Judge Thomas Griesa Thursday released Sindona in the custody of his attorney and private security guards after a four-minute hearing late in the afternoon.

Griesa had revoked the bail four hours earlier when Sindona balked at having his three relatives co-sign the security bond for the bail.

Sindona, his daughter, his son, and his son-in-law, were ordered to be in court Friday to sign the document.

Wednesday, Griesa had continued Sindona's bail, with the provision that he remain in his Pierre Hotel residence under guard. But he changed his mind and announced Thursday that Sindona needed the relatives as co-signers if he wanted to remain free. Sindona balked and bail was revoked.

Griesa sent Sindona to a nearby room in the custody of a U.S. marshal to decide on the co-signatures.

Sindona, 59, is facing bank fraud charges in connection with the collapse of the Franklin National Bank. He also faces possible extradition to Italy on bank-

ing fraud charges.

He was free on bail and his trial was set for Sept. 10 when he vanished Aug. 2. He resurfaced Oct. 16.

Sindona insisted in court that he had been kidnapped by leftwing radicals.

Some police and government officials have expressed skepticism about the kidnap and a grand jury is investigating his account of the abduction.

Pretoria doctors block probe into Biko examination

PRETORIA, Oct. 26 (R) — More than two years after Steve Biko died in police custody, two government doctors have taken court action in an attempt to block an investigation into their treatment of the black leaders.

The two surgeons, Dr. Benjamin Tucker and Dr. Ivor Lang, Wednesday asked the supreme court here to set aside a request from the South African Medical and Dental Council called on them to answer complaints about the way they treated Biko while he was held by security police.

Both examined Biko after he was interrogated by the police and shortly before he died of brain injuries in September, 1977.

An inquest verdict cleared the police of blame for Biko's death.

Spain Basque regions opt for home rule

MADRID, Oct. 26 (AP) — Political leaders in Spain pinned fresh hope Friday on approval of Basque home rule to bring peace to the troubled region, but the separatist movement indicated the violence would not stop.

Contesting the referendum that

brought three Basque provinces their first home rule in four decades, the separatists' political arm demanded the voting be annulled on grounds the election boards were illegally constituted.

The reaction by the radical left Herri Batasun (People's Union)

Party followed a declaration by its guerrilla wing that armed struggle against the government would continue.

Basque Xavier Arzallus said the real value of the referendum depended on how the separatists analyzed the results. He said he

hoped they would recognize the will of the Basque people.

In Madrid, Undersecretary of Interior Julio Carmona said the central government also hoped autonomy would end the violence but he added, "Terrorism is a vice that will require a long time to eradicate."

In the Catalan capital of Barcelona, politicians assessed a lower vote turnout to approve their home rule than the Basques as due to apathy and disillusionment with the region's local government that has been operating provisionally for the past 18 months.

The four Catalan provinces have been virtually untroubled by violence and the turnout was more than 15 per cent less than four-

U.N. Security Council post contested

UNITED NATIONS, Oct. 26 (AP) — A three-way race among Cuba, Colombia and Guatemala for a Latin American seat on the U.N. Security Council was the center of attention Thursday night on the eve of the election of the council's non-permanent members.

Secret balloting was to take place in the General Assembly Friday to elect five countries from various regions to two-year terms as non-permanent members of the 15-nation council starting next Jan. 1.

East Germany, the Philippines, Niger and Tunisia are guaranteed election to succeed Czechoslovakia, Kuwait, Gabon and Nigeria because they are the nominees of the East European, Asian and African groups, respectively, and the assembly customarily honors the groups' choices.

But the persistence of the three rival aspirants for one of Latin America's seats has prevented the countries of that region from coming to a group decision on a single candidate to succeed Bolivia.

And the general expectation was that the contest between Cuba and Colombia would go through several ballots before one or the other got a winning majority consisting of two-thirds of those voting in the 152-nation assembly.

A supporter of Cuba predicted privately that Cuba eventually would win by a substantial majority.

A backer of Colombia predicted that on the first ballot it would lead Cuba by about 80 votes to 60.

Neither side gave Guatemala a chance of getting more than a few votes.

President Fidel Castro himself was said to have solicited votes for Cuba while visiting New York to make a speech to the assembly Oct. 12.

The voting will test the extent of

Cuba's popularity from having hosted the Havana nonaligned summit last month, from being current chairman of the movement and from having sent Castro here to put the movement's positions before the assembly.

It will also test the strength of U.N. moderates supporting Col-

ombia, and the current influence here of the United States, one of the most important of those supporters.

Non-permanent members to continue on the council through next year are Bangladesh, Zambia, Jamaica, Norway and Portugal.

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Arrives in London Sunday

Hua will have sympathetic ears in U.K. for anti-Soviet rhetoric

LONDON, Oct. 26 (R) — Premier Hua Guofeng is expected to arrive in Britain Sunday, and for the first time on his European tour to speak out against the Soviet Union without embarrassing his

France and especially in West Germany, diplomatic niceties required that Hua muffle his warnings about "the bear to the north" and hegemony — a code word for Soviet expansionism.

India to hold election in early January '80

NEW DELHI, Oct. 26 (AP) — India will hold parliamentary elections on Jan. 3 and 6, the chief election commissioner announced Sunday.

L. Shakti told reporters voters in "nine or ten" states elect representatives Jan. 3, those in the remaining 11 or later Jan. 6. More than 350 million persons are eligible nationwide.

First results will be known late Jan. 3, Shakti said the new parliament will convene "by Jan. 11 at latest."

Voters will elect 542 representatives to the ruling Lower House of Parliament. Two members of the 544-member house will be nominated by President Sanjiva Reddy from the non-Indian community.

Shakti said there will be no Jan. 4 and 5. The main contestants are the Indian National Congress, the Janata Party, the Lok Dal (Peoples Party), and the Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's "Indira Congress."

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dubbed the "iron lady" for her condemnations of Soviet militarism.

This month *Pravda* called Mrs. Thatcher bellicose after she delivered a lecture in Luxembourg urging West Europe to be on guard against the Soviet Union.

But it seems unlikely Hua will see Britain's Harrier jump jet, which has become a special irritant in Anglo-Soviet relations. Moscow bitterly opposes the sale of Harriers to China.

Britain has rejected Russian protests about any sale but after many months of negotiations still

does not appear close to signing a deal with Peking.

During his six days in Britain, the Communist Party chairman is not expected to sign any new agreements apart from the possible initialing of a cultural convention.

His talks with Mrs. Thatcher are expected to be general and unlikely to go into details on the one major bilateral question — the future of British colony of Hong Kong.

Earlier, this year Sir Murray Maclehoose became the first Hong Kong governor to pay an official visit to Peking. Informal sources here say Britain is not going to press for a firm Chinese statement on if and when it wants to take back the colony.

London appears satisfied with China's present attitude of wanting the territory to prosper in commerce and trade. But Britain may well voice concern about the heavy influx of illegal Chinese immigrants into Hong Kong, the sources say.

Like the rest of Hua's historic tour — the first time the head of the Chinese Communist party has traveled to the capitalist West — the British visit is seen as symbolic of Peking's effort to cooperate more closely with West Europe and assume a more outward-looking global diplomacy.

Major town under curfew

Violence claims three lives in India

NEW DELHI, Oct. 26 (Agencies) — Police helped by troops arrested at least 25 people during curfew Thursday night in Shillong, capital of India's northeastern state of Meghalaya, the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported Friday.

Curfew was imposed after widespread inter-communal violence Thursday in which one person was killed and more than 100

others were injured.

UNI quoted a police spokesman in Shillong as saying that shoot-on-sight orders have been issued. He said the army was ordered to impose an indefinite curfew.

He said "irate mobs" earlier violated curfew regulations in different parts of the hill resort, located about 500 kilometers northeast of Calcutta.

Pioneer Saturn mission proves to be invaluable

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26 (AP) — Pioneer 11 proved that spacecraft can fly near Saturn safely and also made some important scientific discoveries, including two new rings and a moon, the U.S. space agency has said.

In a summary of results from the Saturn fly-by two months ago, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration said Thursday that Pioneer is continuing to return useful data as it heads out of the solar system.

The unmanned spacecraft, which passed within 13,000 miles of Saturn's cloud tops Sept. 1, will send back information on interplanetary space until the late 1980s, when it moves out of range of radio contact with earth, NASA said.

Pioneer spent 10 days photographing and measuring the giant

ringed planet and sent back a wealth of new information.

Among the major findings were two new rings, the F Ring and the G Ring, and numerous measurements of the density and composition of the previously known rings. Readings of the ring mass indicate they have a low density, suggesting they are composed largely of ice.

The probe also discovered an 11th moon, which has been named 1979 S1. The object, found near the outer edge of the rings, is estimated to be 250 miles in diameter.

Pioneer also found Saturn has a magnetic field and radiation belts, giving it something in common with the magnetic planets, Earth and Jupiter. Saturn's magnetic field is 1,000 times stronger than earth's and 20 times weaker than Jupiter's.



MARTIAL LAW: With bayonet, fixed, a South Korean soldier stands guard on the street in Masan last week after demonstrations hit this city and the other major city of Pusan. Reports said Friday that troops had been withdrawn from the streets of Pusan.

No injuries reported

Corsican bomb wave hits Paris

PARIS, Oct. 26 (R) — Eight bombs have exploded in the Paris area in an apparent demonstration of Corsican autonomist anger. No one was hurt in Thursday's blasts, aimed mainly at government property.

Police said that after the early morning attacks an anonymous caller claimed responsibility on behalf of the banned Corsican National Liberation Front (FLNC).

Two bombs destroyed a fuel tank in an army depot at LA Courneuve, north of Paris and firemen prevented the blaze from spreading to other tanks nearby.

Other bombs destroyed three wagons at Paris' Bercy freight station and damaged a warehouse belonging to the state tobacco firm Seita, the office of the State Secretariat for Universities and a gas station.

It was the second time this year that Corsican bombers have struck Paris and the first since the state security court handed down jail sentences of up to 13 years last July to 17 Corsican separatists.

At the end of May, 21 bombs exploded in Paris, mainly outside banks and public buildings, and the FLNC claimed responsibility in phone calls to radio stations.

Bomb blasts have been a regular occurrence on the Mediterranean island for the past five years.

The last major attack on the French mainland took place last month when five bombs damaged offices in Lyons, France's second city. Police, however, said they had noted a decline in guerrilla activities since the July sentencing.

Seven of those sentenced were convicted of treason after being charged with attacking a military communications base in Corsica in March 1977.

Thursday's attacks followed the theft Oct. 4 of 100 kilograms of explosives from a building firm's offices near the Corsican city of Bastia.

The main sources of tension in Corsica are "pieds noirs," French settlers who fled Algeria after its war of independence, and Foreign Legion bases.

Prague leaflets condemn conviction of 6 dissidents

PRAGUE, Oct. 26 (Agencies) — Police and firemen were ordered out to collect leaflets thrown from a downtown rooftop protesting the conviction of six dissidents, it was reported Friday.

The leaflets said "freedom for Charter 77" and were thrown from an upper window of a building on one of Prague's busiest streets, legal sources said.

Traffic was blocked while two fire trucks were sent to help collect the papers.

The incident took place the day after dramatist Vaclav Havel and five other defendants were convicted of subversion in a two-day trial in a Prague court, the sources said.

All defendants were signers of the Charter 77 manifesto calling on the Prague government to live up to pledges on human rights.

The Czechoslovak government said the defendants had been involved in an illegal group and helped foreigners wage subversive propaganda.

U.N. Namibia effort reportedly includes 4-state security idea

UNITED NATIONS, Oct. 26 (AP) — The idea of a conference among South Africa, Angola, Zambia and Botswana on security for Namibia's northern borders has reportedly been introduced into talks now in progress on Namibia independence from South Africa.

A Western source said Thursday that was one of a number of ideas brought up in the talks taking place almost daily among U.N. officials and five Western countries about a plan for U.N. supervision of a Namibian election leading to independence. The countries are the United States, Canada, Britain, France and West Germany.

Those involved are now considering South Africa's reaction to the proposals they made to Pretoria to meet objections it had raised to the latest version of the plan as issued by U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim last February.

The source, who asked not to be identified, characterized the South Africans' reaction by saying that "essentially they have expressed a desire to see more details."

The proposals put up to South Africa are known to call among other things for a demilitarized zone 50 kilometers wide on each side of Namibia's borders with Angola, Zambia and Botswana.

The idea is credited to the late Angolan President Agostinho Neto.

Meanwhile, Waldheim condemned attacks by South Africa and Rhodesia Zimbabwe on Zambia last Sunday.

U.N. spokesman Rudolf Stauder said, "The secretary general was informed by the government of Zambia of the attacks and incursions carried out against Zambia on Oct. 21 by armed forces belonging to South Africa and the Salisbury regime."

"The secretary general strongly condemns these attacks which, regrettably, have resulted in casualties to the civilian population and a heightening of tension in the region."

"Such attacks constitute not only a serious violation of Zambia's sovereignty and territorial integrity but also may well complicate the international efforts currently under way to negotiate a settlement of the region's outstanding problems."



DISPUTE RESOLVED: Les Dixon, president of the National Graphical Association (foreground), and 'Duke' Hussey, managing director of the 'Times' tell journalists last week that they agreed on terms to end the ten-and-half month suspension of the newspaper's publication. 'The Times' is start publishing again in November.



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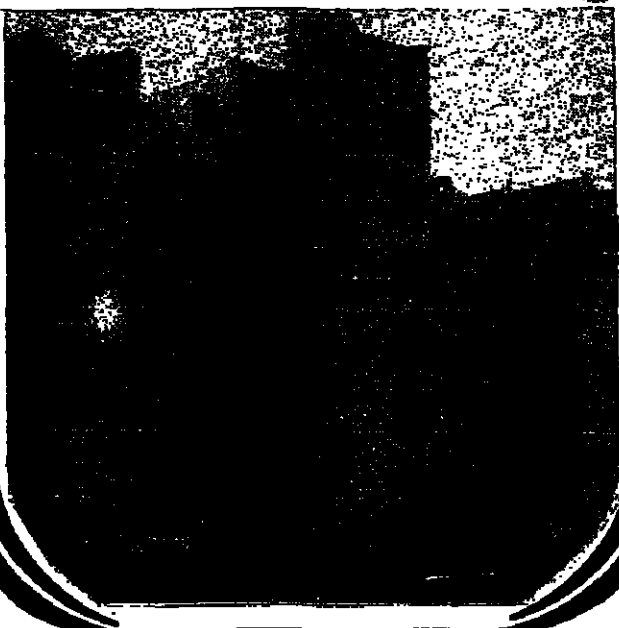
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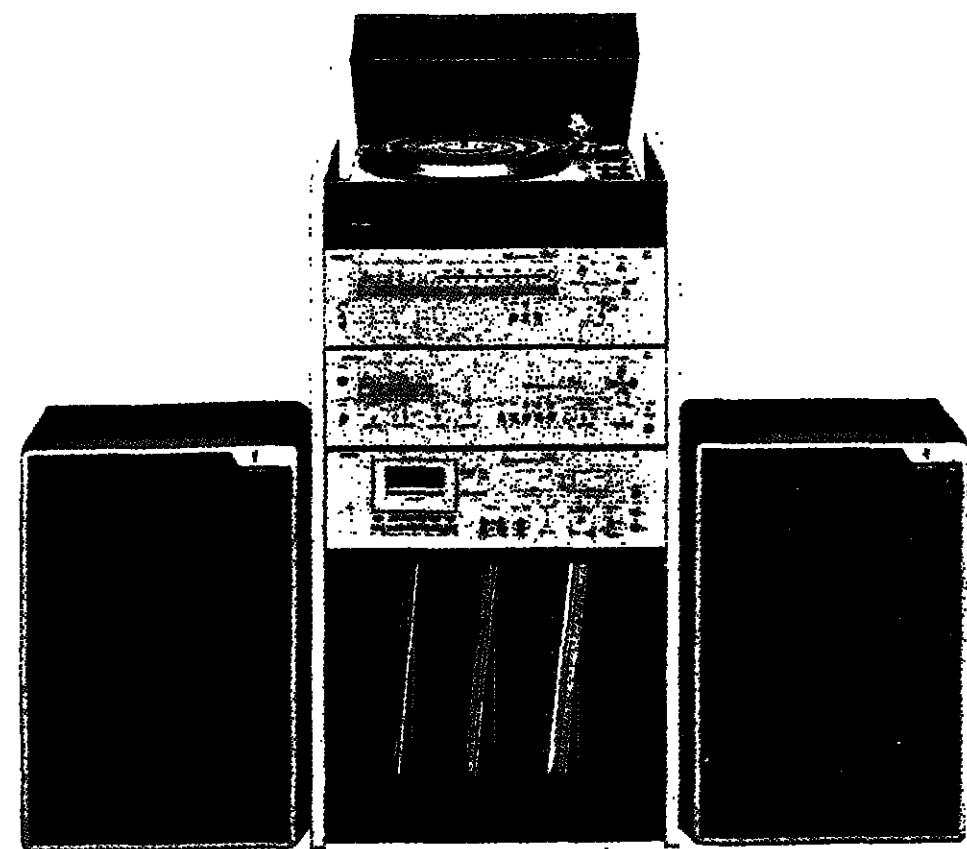
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Gold plummets as U.S. plans auction for Nov. 1

LONDON, Oct. 26 (AP) — The U.S. Treasury's surprise announcement that it will auction off 1.25 million ounces of gold on Nov. 1 sent the price of bullion plummeting in Europe Friday.

The reason? "While we were expecting there wouldn't be any auctions for a while, and now we have more gold coming onto the market," said a dealer at Samuel Montagu Ltd., one of the "big five" London bullion merchants.

Gold opened in London at \$374.50 a troy ounce, down a hefty \$17.50 from Thursday's closing 392.00.

In Zurich, the opening price was 376.50, down \$15.51 overnight.

This compared with gold's all-time peak of \$444.00 an ounce hit in Zurich trading just 24 days ago.

"With the trend at the moment, gold won't readily rush back over \$400 an ounce without any bad news" such as a sudden oil crisis the Montagu dealer said.

The auction announced by the U.S. Treasury

Turks turn to black market

ANKARA, Oct. 26 (AP) — Turks are turning to the black market and their own wits to obtain items ranging from light bulbs to luxury goods and even to Turkish coffee in the face of a prolonged economic crisis.

A severe shortage of foreign exchange, aggravated by strikes, hoarding and distribution problems has emptied store shelves of many everyday items and given rise to a flourishing underground economy.

Light bulbs, manufactured here with imported filaments, are lacking in homes, offices and hotels catering to tourists. To keep their apartment lit, Turks have been pilfering the bulbs from public buildings.

Beans used for the famous thick Turkish coffee are smuggled in aboard fast boats running at night in the Black Sea or across the loosely patrolled Syrian and Iraqi borders.

Coffee sells on the black market for 1,300 Turkish lira a kilogram, \$26, about five times the official import price, purely artificial in otherwise coffee-free Turkey. Brazil turned off the coffee export nine months ago when Turkey didn't pay its bills. Strong, dark domestic tea has become standard coffee in many homes.

Phillips Petroleum earns 62 % higher in 3rd quarter

BARTLESVILLE, Oklahoma, Oct. 26 (AP) — Phillips Petroleum Co. reported increased earnings of 62 per cent for the third quarter of 1979, compared with the same period a year ago.

Third-quarter earnings were \$192 million, compared with \$118.8 million a year ago. Revenues for the period were \$2.50 billion, up from \$1.75 billion a year earlier.

Earnings were \$1.25 dollars a share, up from 77 cents.

For the first nine months of the fiscal year, earnings were \$584.6 million, up 33 per cent over the same period last year.

The nine-months earnings increase was attributed to higher prices worldwide for petroleum products, improved chemical prices and higher chemical sales.

The third-quarter earnings increase resulted primarily from higher sales volumes and prices in the company's chemicals business and from increased profits in overseas petroleum operations, the company said.

Worldwide natural gas production climbed 3 per cent and natural gas liquids production was up 10 per cent. Crude production worldwide declined 8 per cent, primarily because of lower output from Indonesia and loss of Iranian production, the company said.

"Crude oil production is expected to increase in the fourth quarter as a result of higher output from our greater Ekofisk development in the Norwegian North Sea, where additional wells are being drilled and a seventh field is scheduled to come on stream before the end of the year," W.F. Martin, Chairman and chief executive officer, said.

Carter threatens Congress over planned windfall tax

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26 (AP) — President Jimmy Carter has threatened to pursue unspecified proposal that "could be quite punitive to the oil industry" if the U.S. Congress does not pass a satisfactory "windfall profits" tax.

Carter also said increased profits posted by major oil companies in the third quarter "vividly demonstrate the need for a major portion of unearned profits from the oil companies to go into the general service of the American people."

The president made his comments, the first on the oil industry's new financial reports, in a speech Thursday to a citizens' coalition pushing for passage of Carter's tax plan.

It would tax oil company revenues stemming from the presidential decision to remove price controls on oil.

Carter vowed that if the U.S. Senate fails to support a bill stronger than that currently before the Senate Finance Committee, "we will shift our combat zone" to a Senate-House of Representatives conference that will work differences between the Senate bill and a bill approved by the House.

Cyprus plans development of ports for transit trade

NICOSIA, Oct. 26 (R) — The chairman of the Cyprus Ports Authority has outlined plans to turn the island's ports into transit centers for Middle Eastern, Far Eastern and European trade, the Cyprus News Agency reported.

The agency said authority Chairman Stavros Galatariotis told a news conference that new quays were under construction at Limassol and Larnaca as the first stage of an estimated \$16 million (about five million dollars) development program.

He said the three-year program also included the extension of storage space, purchase of new equipment and the building of administration and passenger buildings.

Galatariotis said the aim of the program was not simply to increase the capacity of the ports but to turn them into "transit trade centers between the Middle East, the Far East and Europe."

More than two million tons of cargo passed through Larnaca and Limassol last year and the figure was expected to increase by 20 to 25 per cent this year, he said.

Peru sells oil at record \$40.77

LIMA, Oct. 26 (R) — Peru has sold 800,000 barrels of oil at a world record price of \$40.77 per barrel, the state oil company said Thursday.

A company spokesman said the oil was sold on the spot market at the beginning of this week. He declined to identify the buyer.

Peru sold oil on the Rotterdam spot market two weeks ago at \$37.55 per barrel which was a record then, he added.

The spokesman said that Iran's recent decision to sell oil at a higher than that fixed by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) meant that prices would reach \$56 a barrel on the spot market next January. OPEC prices then would be about \$40 a barrel, he added.

Peru, which is not an OPEC member, produced 150,800 barrels of oil a day last and expects to produce about 195,000 barrels a day next year.

Petroperu said that it expected production to be even higher next year because of current exploitation projects being carried out by state and private companies.

Labor strikes at Paris airports

PARIS, Oct. 26 (R) — Traffic controllers at Orly and Charles de Gaulle airports in Paris Friday held the first of a series of strikes which are expected to disrupt departures for the next days.

The controllers, who demanding higher pay, said these strikes would handle no departures between 9.00 a.m. and 11.00 a.m. (08 1000 GMT) each day until Monday.

Airport officials said they did not expect any fights to be held as a result of the strike and arrivals would be unaffected.

Taiwan hits oil, gas deposits

TAIPEI, Oct. 26 (AP) — Taiwan's Petroleum Corp. announced Friday that one of its offshore wells around Hsuehwei Island hit oil and natural gas deposits Thursday.

The oil company said that according to initial reports, the well may contain rich oil and gas deposits with an estimated daily capacity of 60,000-70,000 cubic meters of natural gas and 10,000 cubic meters of crude oil.

No further details were given.

New device for quick motor start

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Oct. 26 (AP) — Engineers at Ford Co. say they have come up with a silent, mechanical device that could allow a car to start without the need for a battery.

A report by a team of four engineers says a "significant" energy can be achieved "if the car engine is turned off at start-up."

The report was prepared for Friday's annual meeting of the American Chemical Society's rubber division.

"A device has been designed which uses an elastomer (rubber) to store the required energy," said P.C. Kilgoor, of the team.

"When the driver of the car steps on the accelerator, the energy is released and the engine restarted."

Kilgoor said a prototype starter installed in a test vehicle was running "for a considerable amount of time with no failure."

However, a Company spokesman in Dearborn, Michigan, said the device was still several years behind production.

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Swiss F (100)	203.00	206.00	201.00
French F (100)	80.00	80.00	79.55
Italian Lira (10,000)	41.00	41.00	41.65
Lebanese Lira (100)	101.40	101.40	101.25
Syria Lira (100)	78.00	78.00	78.60
Egyptian Pound	4.55	4.55	4.61
Kuwait Dinar	12.15	12.15	12.13
Jordanian Dinar	11.23	11.23	11.16
Emirates Dirham (100)	89.00	89.00	89.00
Qatari Riyal (100)	91.00	91.00	91.50
Bahraini Dinar	8.86	8.86	8.85
Iranian Riyal (100)	9.25	9.25	9.25
Iraqi Dinar (100)	74.25	74.25	74.00
Yemeni Riyal (100)	80.00	80.00	88.40
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Dutch Guilder (1,000)	169.00	170.00	51.00
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U.S. stuck with 8% inflation

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26 (AP) — The United States' inflation rate is likely to be stuck at between 8 per cent and 9 per cent even after the impact of higher energy and housing prices wears off, President Jimmy Carter's chief economic adviser said.

Charles L. Schultze, the chairman of the president's Council of Economic Advisers, said the underlying inflation rate in the U.S. economy probably is now at that level, and measures are needed to reduce it.


"We need a long-run objective of how to reduce the 8 to 9 per cent that is probably the underlying rate."

Ankara to reduce air pollution

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26 (AP) — The Turkish government's efforts to reduce air pollution in Ankara, the capital city, will be assisted with a \$6 million loan, the World Bank announced.

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Top teams not yet certain of European quarter-finals

LONDON, Oct. 26 (R) — Reigning champion Nottingham Forest of England, West Germany's Hamburg and former champion Celtic of Scotland won second round first leg matches in the European Soccer Cup Wednesday night but all still have work to do to secure quarter-final places.

The part-time players of Dundalk, the League of Ireland champion, pulled off one of the surprise results of the round when they lost only 3-2 in Glasgow to Celtic, the 1967 European Cup winners.

Dundalk was outplayed in the first half and found itself 3-1 down

Ziegler, Fezler in lead of Florida best-ball golf

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Florida, Oct. 26 (AP) — Forest Fezler fired six birdies and his partner Larry Ziegler five for an 11-under par 61 and the first-round lead of the National Team Golf classic at Disney World on Thursday.

Three other two-men teams — George Burns-Ben Crenshaw, Jim Colbert-Mike Sullivan and Curtis Strange-Gary Koch — were a stroke behind in the unique best-ball event.

"Drive the ball straight and hit a lot of putts — that's our strategy," said Ziegler after their sparkling round over the par-72, 7,197-yard Magnolia Course.

The three second-place teams all played on the shorter but tougher Palm Course, a narrow 6,951-yard layout used for the first two rounds of the 72-hole event by the 104 pairings.

Strange, winner of last week's Pensacola Open, was elated at not letting an early-week letdown show up in his 10-birdie round with Koch.

"It's hard to come from behind in this tournament and I feel all fired-up again now. You're much more excited when you start well," Strange, whose partner carried most of the load with seven birdies.

Burns made six birdie to Crenshaw's four while the veteran Colbert and newcomer Sullivan blistered the Palm for six birdies and two eagles.

Tied for third were the teams of Mark McCumber-Dan Skies, Buddy Gardner-Lee Elder, Tom Purtzer-Howard Twitty and George Archer-Jim Simons.

In Japan, American Larry Wadkins, winner of this year's Los Angeles open, fired a six-under-par 66 for a one-stroke first-round lead in the 1979 Bridgestone Golf Tournament Thursday.

Wadkins had a 32 on the front nine and 34 on the back nine at the 6,549-meter Sodegaura Country Club course northeast of Tokyo.

Japan's Yoshikazu Yokoshima shot a five-under-par 67 and Kazuo Yoshikawa of Japan a 68.

after half an hour. But it stuck manfully to its task and substitute Mick Lawlor's 62nd minute goal left Celtic with a lot to do in the second leg in two weeks time.

Nottingham Forest looked as if it would brush aside the challenge of Romanian side Arges Pitesti when England international Tony Woodcock and Garry Birtles, scorer of six European Cup goals last season, gave it a 2-0 lead in 17 minutes.

But despite constant pressure the Nottingham side, when war below its best in beating Sweden's Oesters Vaexjoe in the first round, could not build on its great start.

The Romanians had defender Mihai Zanfir sent off 11 minutes

from the end but Forest was still unable to find a way through its tough-tackling defense.

Dynamo Tbilisi, first round conqueror of England's Liverpool, the 1977 and 1978 European champion, scored first against Hamburg through David Kipiani, but soon afterward Mudshir put through his own goal and second half goals by England captain Kevin Keegan and Jimmy Hartwig gave Hamburg the cushion of a two-goal lead for the return leg.

Ajax Amsterdam, Europe's top club between 1971 and 1973, has no worries about its return leg after routing Omonia Nicosia of Cyprus 10-0 in Amsterdam.

The Dutch champion, which collected 16 goals in the first leg against NJK Helsinki of Finland, scored almost at will, Danish international Soeren Lerby getting five to take his tally to eight in three European matches this season.

Second round first leg matches in the European Cup Winners' Cup and European Football Union (UEFA) Cup were also played. When the ties are completed in two weeks the Cup Winners' Cup will be reduced to the Quarter-final stage and the UEFA Cup will be down to the last 16 teams.

Spain's Barcelona continued the defense of the Cup Winners' Cup with a crushing 4-1 away win over Aris Bonnevoie of Luxembourg.

Danish international Allan Simonsen, the 1978 European footballer of the year, led the way with a hat-trick.

East European athletes banned after dope tests

LONDON, Oct. 26 (R) — Four East European women including Bulgarian Totka Petrova who won the 1,500 meters at the World Cup in Montreal, have been suspended by the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) for taking drugs.

IAAF Secretary John Holt announced the indefinite suspensions were Thursday, naming the other three athletes as Natalia Marasescu, Romania's world mile record holder, Santa Vida, also of Romania, and Daniela Teneva of Bulgaria.

All four were positively tested for anabolic steroids, the banned muscle-building drug, at the Balkan Games in Athens from Aug. 10 to 13.

The ban dates from those games, which means Petrova's victory in Montreal on Aug. 26 is now void and the race goes to East German Christiane Wartenberg, who was second.

The suspensions are for life unless mitigating circumstances can be proved, in which case they could be reduced to 18 months. In any event the four athletes will miss next year's Moscow Olympic Games.

Gomez.

Petrova also loses her Balkan Games victories in the 300 and 1,500 meters and Teneva is replaced as winner of the 100 meters hurdles. Marasescu was second in the 1,500 meters and eighth in the 3,000 meters in Athens and Vlad was third in the long jump.

Last year four Soviet athletes and one from Bulgaria were barred for 18 months after positive drug tests at the European Championships in Prague. They included Nadezhda Tkachenko of the Soviet Union, winner of the women's pentathlon, and her compatriot Yevgeni Mironov, silver medalist in the men's shot.

Squash made open sport

LONDON, Oct. 26 (R) — Squash will be open from Sept. 1 next year. The International Squash Rackets Federation announced here Wednesday that member countries will have the right to retain the distinction between amateur and professional players.



TACKLE: Brian Talbot of Arsenal leaps out of the way as Stock's Johnson makes a lunging tackle in a game last weekend at Highbury. It ended in a goalless draw.

Speed takes on power in ring as Gomez defends WBC title

NEW YORK, Oct. 26 (R) — Puerto Rico's Wilfredo Gomez, one of the most explosive punchers in boxing, was to defend his World Boxing Council super-bantamweight title against Nico Perez, a 19-year-old Mexican-American, here Friday night.

The champion, 22, was trying for his 10th title win inside the distance since he won the crown from South Korea's Yum Dong-Kyun in 1977.

After drawing his first professional fight in 1974, Gomez won his next 26 bouts inside the distance. His last victim was Mexican Carlos Mendoza, whom he stopped in the 10th round of a title fight at Las Vegas, Nevada, last month.

Gomez will be making his third appearance at Madison Square Garden this year. In March he beat Nestor Jimenez in two rounds of a title bout and in May he stopped Nelson Cruz Tamiriz in the fifth round of a non-title contest.

Perez, based in Tucson, Arizona, also boasts impressive credentials. A native of

Chihuahua, Mexico, he lost his first professional bout in 1977 and then won 43 consecutive fights, stopping 24 men.

He is ranked number six contender in the WBC's 122-round (55.34 kg) super-bantamweight division.

Perez is extremely quick with his hands and will have the edge on Gomez in overall speed. But whether he has the defensive tools to cope with Gomez's punishing attack is debatable.

The title bout was to be the 11th

WBC puts off meeting

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 26 (AP) — The World Boxing Council annual convention scheduled Nov. 11-13 in Casablanca has been postponed until further notice. Jose Sulaiman, president of the Council, said "several technical difficulties have forced us to postpone our annual meeting." The convention will still be held in Casablanca and the exact dates will be known next week.

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Postal vote to decide IOC China quest

NAGOYA, Japan, Oct. 26 (R) — Lord Killanin, president of the International Olympic Committee, said here Thursday a postal vote would be used to decide on the participation of Peking and Taipei at next year's Olympic Games.

Lord Killanin made his announcement after a three-day IOC Executive Board meeting which was charged with drafting a resolution in accordance with an IOC directive on the China issue made earlier this year.

The board was instructed to decide on the names, anthems and flags of the Olympic committees of China and Taiwan with the aim of getting both countries to compete in future games.

China withdrew from the Olympic movement in 1958.

Lord Killanin said decision to hold a postal vote was because of the limited time before the closing date for entries, Dec. 1, for the Winter Olympics in Lake Placid, New York, next February.

Letters to IOC members were to be posted Friday with ballot papers to be returned by Nov. 25.

Lord Killanin said the unanimous resolution of the Executive Board here was to name the National Olympic Committee (NOC) in Peking the "Chinese Olympic Committee" and the NOC based in Taipei the "Chinese Taipei Olympic Committee."

The resolution also said Taiwan's NOC must change their anthem, flag and emblem and that their constitution should be "amended in conformity with the IOC rules" by Jan. 1, 1980.

Lord Killanin said the present constitution violated IOC rules in the selection of NOC members.

In Paris, a senior IOC official Thursday played down the threat to Britain's participation in next year's Olympic Games in Moscow caused by its continued sporting

links with South Africa. Monique Berlioz, director, told Radio France national the British multiracial South Africans presented no problem to her committee.

The Supreme Council in Africa (SCSA) said it was canvassing to be excluded from the Olympics if it intends to send its sporting links with South Africa.

She said the situation was different. The host Nations, which support barians tour, were not the National Olympic Committee as their French counterpart.

"For the IOC there is no problem. There was a problem French Olympic Committee (COF) because the situation is a full member of

Wade thro to quarters Florida me

OLDSMAR, Florida (AP) — Defending Virginia Wade, 33, Rosemary Casals 6-3, complete the quarter Thursday in the tournament here.

In other matches seed Yvonne Goolie came back to defeat out 4-6, 6-3, 6-1. Wendy Turnbull of also taken to three beating Wendy White 6-2. White earlier Africa's Greer Stevens.

Friday, top-seeded Lloyd was to face Virginia Ruzici.

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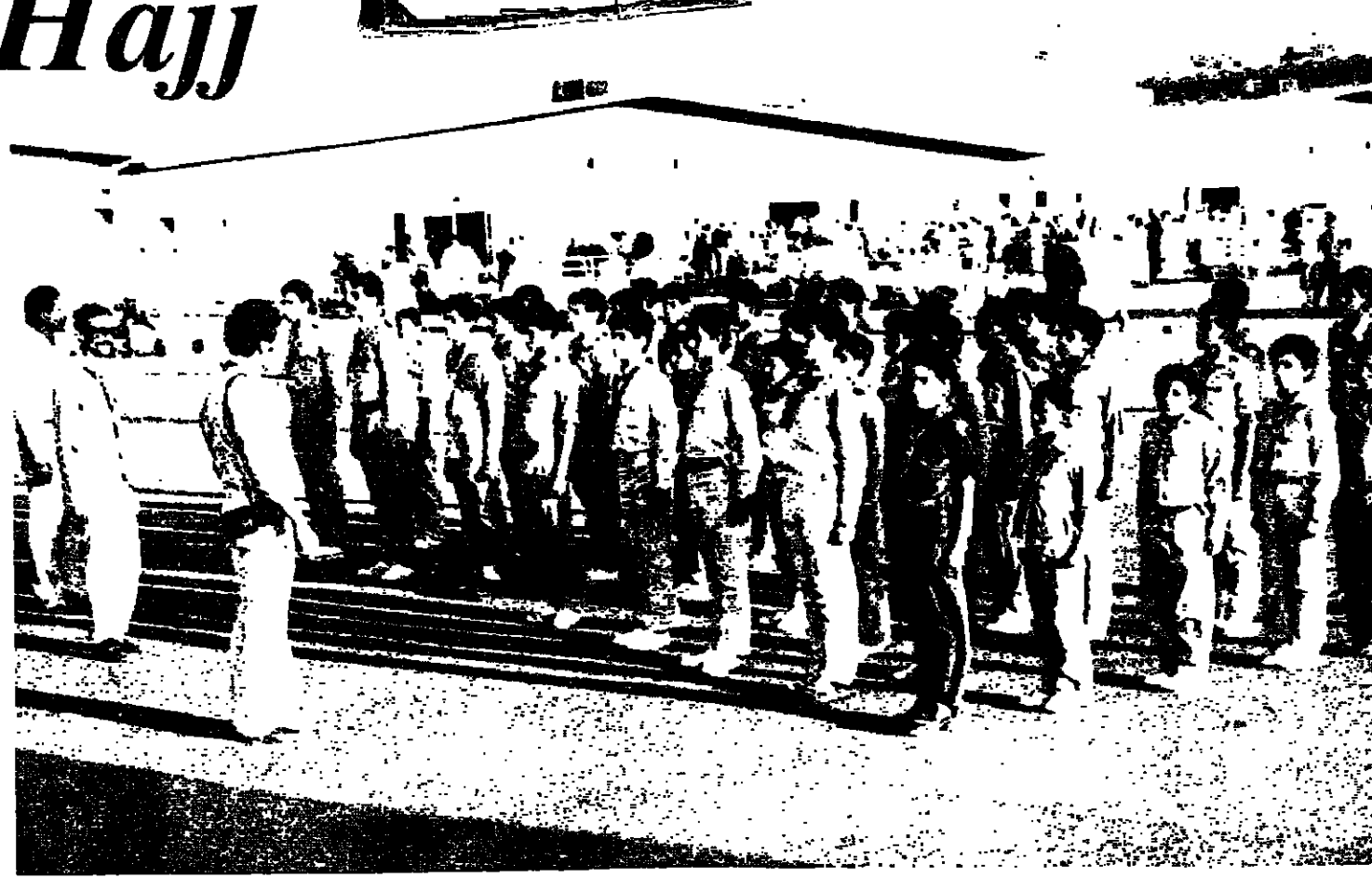
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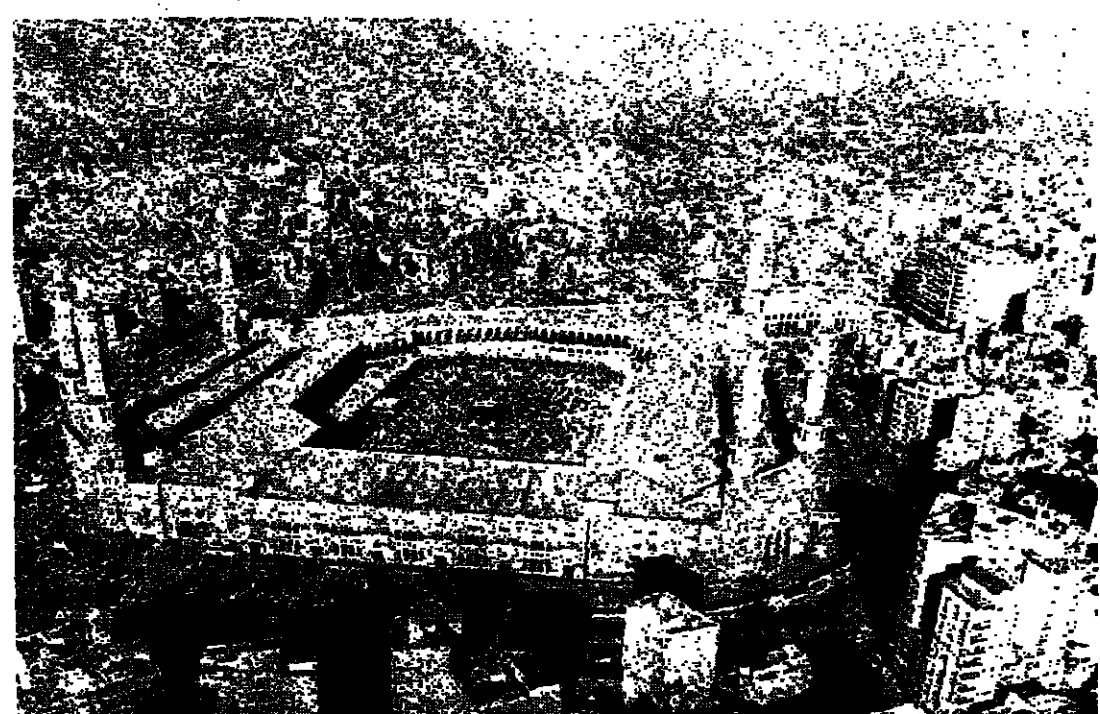
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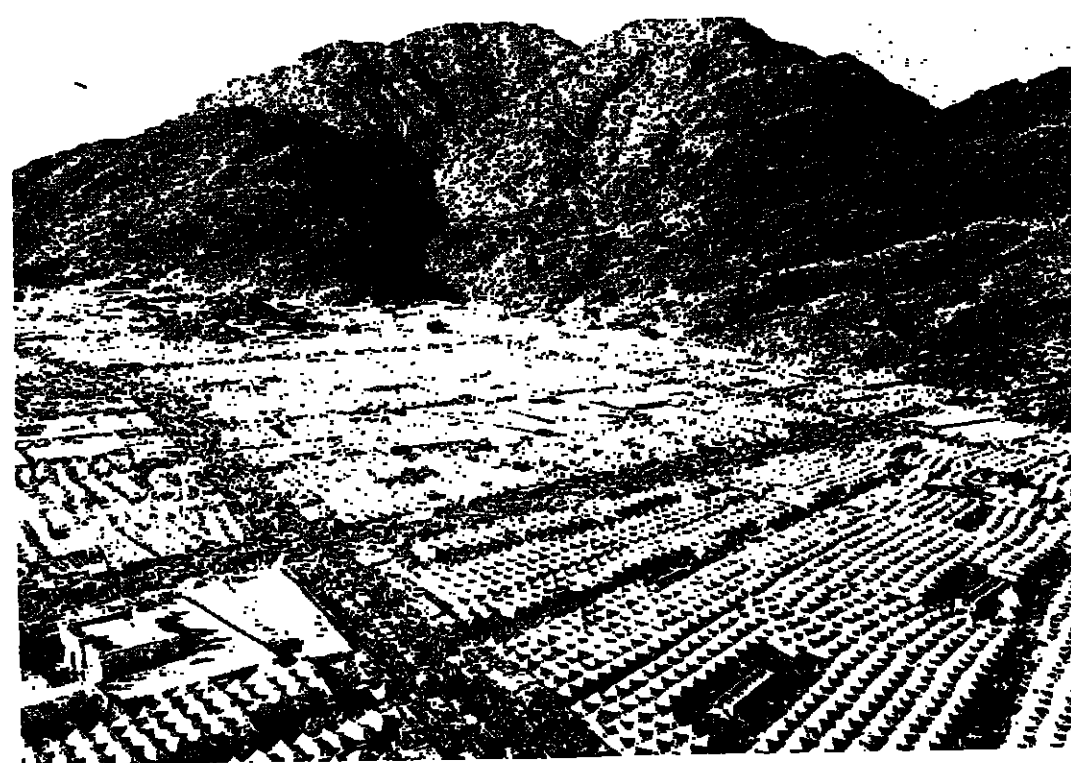
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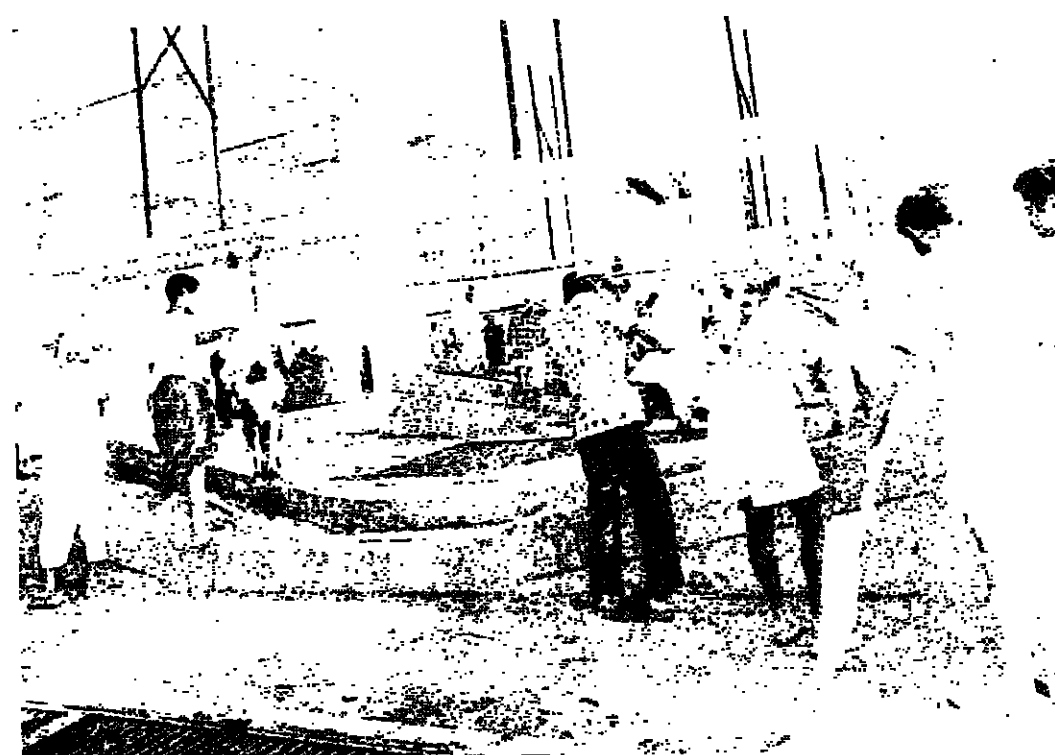
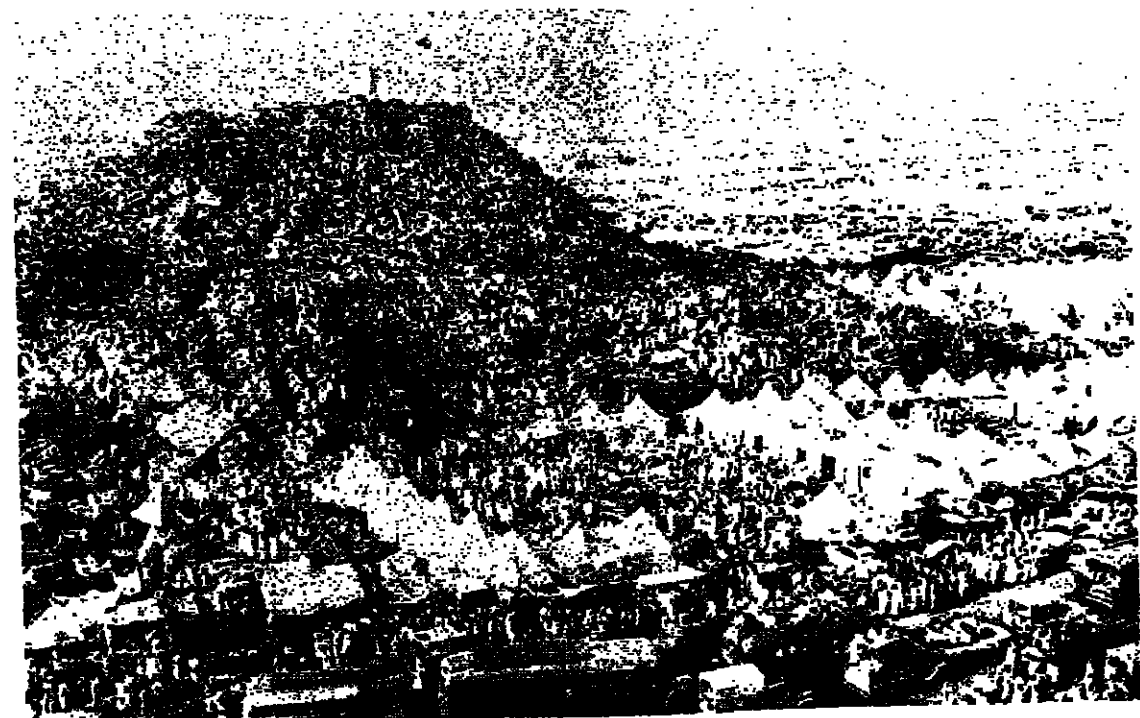
The Tawaf (above), circling the Kaaba seven times in greeting, and the Sa'y (right), the reenactment of Hajar's search for water, are the first two rituals.



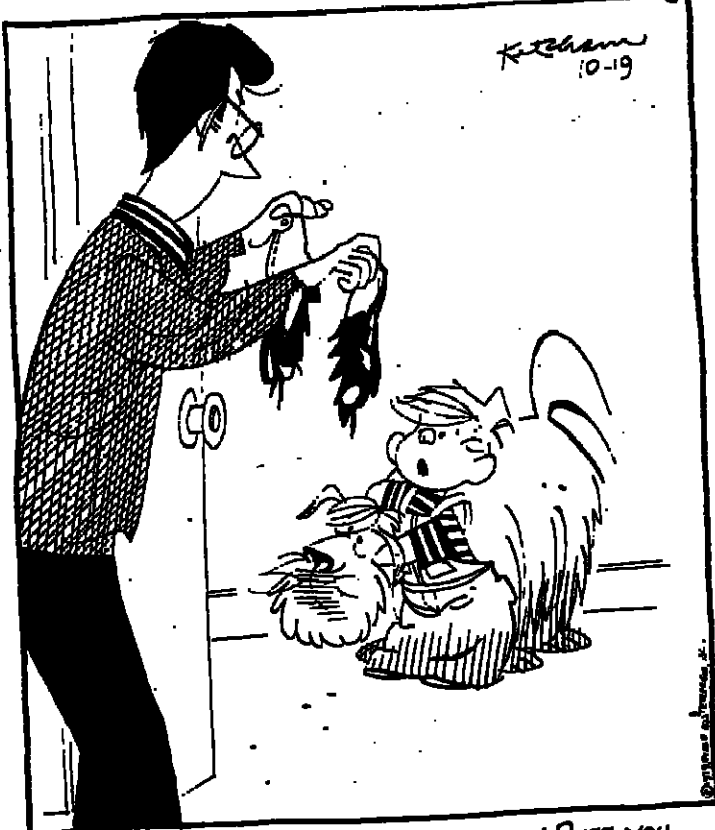
The pilgrims then travel to Mina (top left) and, on the ninth day, to Arafat for Standing Day (below left), a time of prayer and meditation.



After prayers at Muzdalfa (top left), where pebbles are gathered for the stoning of the Jamras at Mina, the pilgrims sacrifice an animal, often at one of the state-run slaughterhouses (below left), and the Hajj is accomplished.



Dennis the Menace



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19 One, in Rhetoric
20 Exasperate
21 Wreck completely; sl.
22 Katherine
23 Porter
24 Beloved one
25 "Look Back in -"
26 Ring
27 Necktie
28 Ship route
31 I love: Lat.
32 Clear as -
33 - and cry
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36 Mother of F.D.R.
37 Natural
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40 Bird dog
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The first order of business is to try to judge the significance of the diamond lead. You're not doing the right thing all right, but in the order.

There is no good reason to assume that South has diamonds rather than four; the contrary, South is more likely to have only five diamonds. You should let dummy win the one with the king. As a rule you sooner or later partner a diamond ruff to the contract down one.

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3:40 NEWS
3:45 Press Review
3:50 Music
3:55 Islam Activities in Focus
4:00 Selection of Music
4:05 Close Down
- Evening Transmission
9:00 Opening
9:01 Holy Quran
9:05 Message to the Faithful
9:10 Light Music
9:15 Melody Maker
9:20 The Golden Age
9:25 Music
9:30 Youth Welfare
9:35 Music
9:40 NEWS
9:45 S. Chronicle
9:50 The Evening Show
9:55 Imp. Com & Recollections
10:00 Music
10:05 Mood Music
10:10 A Rendezvous with Dreams
10:15 Close Down

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Morning Transmission

- 8:00 Ouverture
8:02 Lumiere sur le Coran
8:15 Musique
8:30 Bonjour
8:45 Varietes
8:50 Occident et Orient
9:00 Varietes
9:05 Informations
9:10 Lumiere sur les Informations
9:15 Varietes
9:20 A l'ecole du Prophete
9:30 Musique
9:35 Cloture

Evening Transmission

- 7:00 Ouverture
7:02 Versets et Cor nentaire
7:15 Musique
7:30 Nouvelles du monde Musul man
7:45 En avant premiere
8:15 Jeunesse et Sport
8:30 Varietes
8:40 Informations
8:45 Revue Je Presse
8:55 Musique
9:00 Cloture

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Morning Transmission

- 8:00 World News
8:09 Twenty-Four Hours
News Summary
8:30 Sarah Ward
8:45 World Today
9:00 Newsdesk
9:30 Opera Star
10:00 World News
10:09 Twenty-Four Hours
News Summary
10:30 Sarah Ward
10:45 Something to Show You
11:00 World News
11:09 Reflections
11:15 Piano Style
11:30 Brain of Britain 1978
12:00 World News
12:09 British Press Review
12:15 World Today
12:30 Financial News
12:40 Look Ahead
12:45 The Tony Myatt

Evening Transmission

- 1:15 Ulster in Focus
1:30 Discovery
2:00 World News
2:09 News about Britain
2:15 Alphabet of Musical
Curios
2:30 Sports International
2:40 Radio Newsreel
3:15 Promenade Concert
3:45 Sports Round-up
4:00 World News

24 Hour Transmission

- 4:09 Twenty-Four Hours:
News Summary
4:30 The Pleasure's Yours
5:15 Report on Religion
6:00 Radio Newsreel
6:15 Outlook
7:00 World News
7:09 Commentary
7:15 Sherlock Holmes
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8:00 World News
8:09 Books and Writers
8:30 Take One
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Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake

FOR SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1978

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth Sign.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) ♎
Appense a family member with a gift. Expect an unusual financial opportunity. Travel talks with friends should prove inspirational.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) ♏
If you can hold your tongue you won't have to make apologies. Stress sweeties rather than your rights. Be alert to career opportunity.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) ♐
Make sure that a new romantic attraction isn't already involved. Be closed minded re financial moves. Travel is delightful.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) ♑
Handle self carefully with bosses. Welcome the chance to meet new people. Change your routine, and you may meet with romance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) ♒
Someone from work may be attracted to you. Flirtatious likely, but what happens next is up to you! Social life on the upswing.

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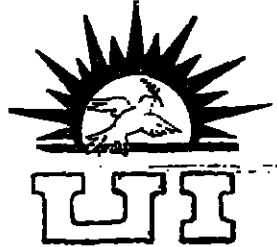
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International

Security surrounds princess

Police hunt IRA 'Jackal' in Margaret death plot

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 26 (R) — The FBI hunted a would-be Irish Republican Army (IRA) assassin Friday while his target, Britain's Princess Margaret, was completing her U.S. tour.

"Now that the IRA man's cover has been blown, Princess Margaret is probably the safest person in the United States, considering the security precautions that have been taken," a police specialist in protecting important visitors said.

Princess Margaret flew from San Francisco Thursday to spend two days in Cleveland, Ohio, under strong security restrictions before leaving Saturday for Britain.

Police and FBI agents have compiled a profile of their suspect with the help of the Irish police and have several strong clues to his whereabouts, security sources said.

The 49-year-old princess, sister of Queen Elizabeth, has done almost no sightseeing since a plot to assassinate her in Los Angeles was revealed by police and sources close to the royal party. Most of her engagements in Cleveland are private.

Detectives have nicknamed their suspect "Jackal," after the book *The Day of the Jackal* which describes a plot to assassinate former French President Charles de Gaulle.

According to the profile the police have



Princess Margaret

compiled, their suspect lives in the United States and has made several trips to Ireland, where he was born, and to Eastern Europe, using various aliases.

The IRA had denied it sent an assassin to Los Angeles to kill Princess Margaret. But Olof Salane, special security agent attached to the State Department's field office here, said newspaper reports on the assassination plot were essentially accurate.

Police sources said the suspect plotted to kill Princess Margaret when she unveiled a



Lord Mountbatten

plaque at a Rolls Royce service center last Friday.

Police traced the would-be assassin to a motel in West Los Angeles and raided the building. But he had fled the day before, security sources said.

The suspect, who spent six days in Los Angeles, was said to have been helped by a local contact man and his girlfriend.

His contact man employed two film cameramen, to act as his cover, the sources said. The two were told they would be making

a film of Princess Margaret's visit to the Rolls Royce center.

The British head of the Rolls Royce dealership, Tony Thompson, said he became suspicious when he was asked for a floor plan of the center and told the local State Department office.

The cameramen, who did not know about the plot, told police the contact man was living in the motel here.

Motel staff were shown photographs of high-ranking members of the IRA Provisional Wing and recognized one of the men who had stayed at the motel, the sources added.

Thompson said police had asked Princess Margaret not to go to the service center, but she insisted on carrying out her promise to unveil the plaque.

She arrived at the center an hour late in a bullet-proof Cadillac. Instead of the Rolls Royce she had been expected to use, and was ringed by security men.

Senior sources in the Provisional Irish Republican Army said in Belfast Wednesday they regarded Princess Margaret as a legitimate target but said such an operation would be not be carried out on American soil for political reasons.



SPOKESMAN: Eddison Zvobgo of the Patriotic Front has acted as the group's chief spokesman during the current Rhodesia peace talks in London. Friday, the front rejected British terms for a transition government in Rhodesia.

At Rhodesia talks

Front hits British peace plan

LONDON, Oct. 26 (AP) — Guerrilla leaders at the Zimbabwe Rhodesia peace talks Friday firmly rejected British proposals for direct British rule during a transition to independence.

Describing the British plan as "outrageous" and a recipe for rigged elections, the Patriotic Front guerrilla alliance called for a new army with 50 per cent guerrilla participation.

In counter-proposals put forward at a 45-minute meeting of all sides, the front also demanded United Nations supervision of the proposed ballot and a U.N. peacekeeping force.

Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington, chairman of the seven-week-old talks, immediately ruled out supervision by the United Nations "or any other body," including the Commonwealth — the 39-nation association of Britain and its former colonies.

The front said it intended to appeal

to the Commonwealth on grounds that Britain has distorted the mandate for this latest peace bid agreed by the Commonwealth at its summit in Lusaka, Zambia.

Front demands for a force composed equally of guerrillas and government troops were milder than its earlier stance that its communist-armed fighters dominate a new army in the interim.

"Since the only forces on the spot would be (under the British plan) those of the regime, this is a recipe for a coup and a resumption of the war, and an open invitation to South Africa to intervene," the front said.

After the meeting British officials vigorously defended Carrington's insistence that Britain guide its war-torn rebel colony to independence the same way it did with the rest of its empire.

Wants to avoid politics

Byrd supports SALT treaty

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26 (Agencies) — U.S. Senate Democratic Leader Robert Byrd says he will do everything he can to keep the Soviet-American strategic arms limitation treaty (SALT II) from getting caught up in "the political silly season."

Specifically, he said he hopes Republican presidential contenders won't make the matter a partisan issue.

Announcing his full support for the treaty Thursday, Byrd said he has become convinced it is in the national interest and added that he believes senators will cross party lines to ratify it.

Kennedy to form fund-raising unit for '80 campaign

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26 (Agencies) — Senator Edward Kennedy will announce formation of an exploratory committee on Monday to organize and raise funds for an expected challenge to President Jimmy Carter's reelection.

The announcement will still leave Kennedy short of openly declaring his candidacy but sources close to the senator said it made his eventual decision to run all but certain.

Kennedy has himself said he expects to make his decision by early December on whether to follow his two brothers, the late President John Kennedy and Senator Robert Kennedy, in seeking the presidency.

He has said he will run if Carter proves incapable of dealing with America's worsening economic situation, but most observers — and workers in the burgeoning "Draft Kennedy" movement — expect him to make the race.

Kennedy volunteers said Thursday that they were ready to join the ranks of the exploratory committee as soon as it is officially launched Monday.

But the West Virginia lawmaker added that he is concerned about "the positions taken by the Republican presidential contenders against the treaty. It makes it appear that those positions are forming along party lines."

Senate Republican leader Howard Baker of Tennessee, who will announce his candidacy for his party's 1980 presidential nomination on Nov. 1, had been a leading critic of the treaty and a leader of the attempt to force new arms control negotiations with the Russians by adding one or more "killer" amendments to the pact.

"I don't want to see this go into the campaign season," Byrd said. "Party considerations could very well have a bearing."

Byrd said he expects a final vote on ratification before the end of the year, even if the outcome remains in doubt. "Some senators have told me they won't reach a decision before the roll call," he said. "I'm inclined to go... win or lose."

He predicted the treaty will be ratified because two-thirds or more of the Senate will recognize it represents "an opportunity to help diminish the potential for nuclear destruction, to help make the world a more secure and peaceful place."

Earlier Thursday, Soviet Defense Minister Dmitry Ustinov, in an angry attack on the United States, warned Washington not to go ahead with the deployment of new medium-range nuclear missiles in Europe.

Marshal Ustinov, writing in the Communist Party paper *Pravda*, criticized NATO countries for not responding to President Leonid Brezhnev's latest European disarmament offer, unveiled in East Berlin earlier this month.

His lengthy article gave more details of the Soviet promise to withdraw up to 20,000 troops and 1,000 tanks from East Germany in the next 12 months.

He specified that the forces, including other military equipment as well as tanks, would be moved back to Soviet territory and not to elsewhere in Eastern Europe.

Time question still unsettled

U.S. said ready to rejoin labor group

GENEVA, Oct. 26 (AP) — The United States has upgraded consideration of whether or not to rejoin the International Labor Organization, the United Nations agency it quit in 1977 alleging double standards in the treatment of labor rights in different parts of the world.

Francis Blanchard, I.L.O. director-general, told newsmen Thursday he learned this during a recent trip to Washington, but said he could not say if and when the U.S. would return.

"They seem to be on the track," Blanchard said

at a hastily called news conference. "But I cannot be more specific than that."

Blanchard was speaking shortly after the close of an I.L.O. European regional conference of government, employer and worker delegates from 30 nations.

Among seven resolutions adopted by consensus at the conference, one strongly urged all I.L.O. member states in Europe to ratify and implement I.L.O. conventions on freedom of association and the right to organize.

Test with India

Yallop scores unbeaten century

CALCUTTA, Oct. 26 (R) — Graham Yallop, promoted to solve Australia's opening batting problem, responded with a splendid unbeaten century as his side scored 227 for two on the opening day of the fifth cricket Test against India here Friday.

Left hander Yallop batted stubbornly to finish with 114 not out — only seven short of his best Test score — as Australia, one down

in the six-match series, made a good start. Yallop, whose hundred came minutes and was his fourth in Test, an Australian revival after they lost to India without a run.

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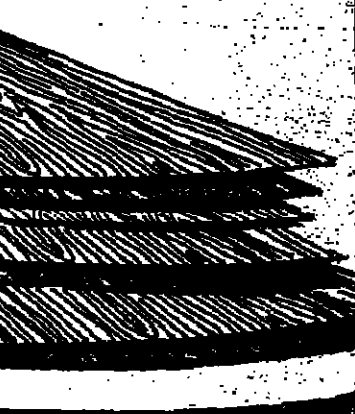
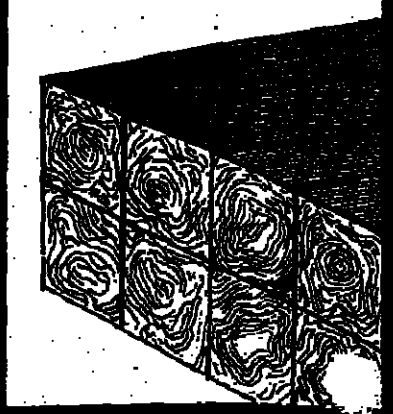
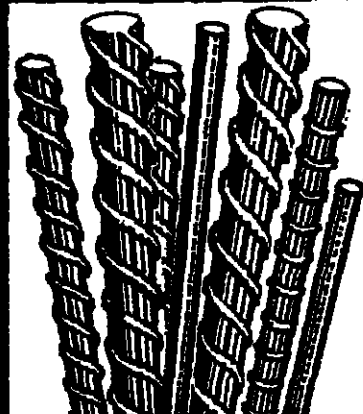
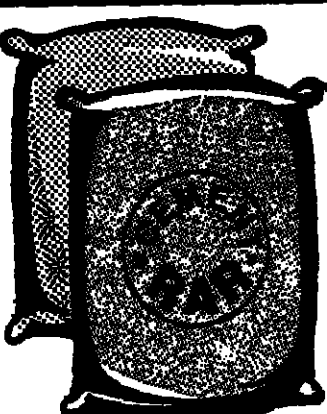
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